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State System enrollment

SCHOOL	2010	2015	2016	2010-16 PERCENT CHANGE	2015-16 PERCENT CHANGE
Bloomsburg	10,091	9,777	9,658	-4.3%	-1.2%
California	9,400	7,854	7,553	-19.6%	-3.8%
Cheyney	1,586	711	746	-53.0%	4.9%
Clarion	7,315	5,368	5,224	-28.6%	-2.7%
East Stroudsburg	7,387	6,828	6,830	-7.5%	0.0%
Edinboro	8,642	6,550	6,181	-28.5%	-5.6%
Indiana	15,126	13,775	13,114	-13.3%	-4.8%
Kutztown	10,707	9,000	8,513	-20.5%	-5.4%
Lock Haven	5,451	4,607	4,220	-22.6%	-8.4%
Mansfield	3,411	2,376	2,209	-35.2%	-7.0%
Millersville	8,729	7,988	7,927	-9.2%	-0.8%
Shippensburg	8,326	7,058	6,989	-16.1%	-1.0%
Slippery Rock	8,852	8,628	8,881	0.3%	2.9%
West Chester	14,490	16,606	17,006	17.4%	2.4%
STATE SYSTEM TOTAL	119,513	107,126	105,051	-12.1%	-1.9%

Source: State System of Higher Education

Post-Gazette

By CAITLIN STRASSER
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According to the Press Release from the "State of the System Address" given by the Pennsylvania State System of Higher Education (PASSHE), on January 26, 2017, the chancellor, Frank Brogan, stated that "Every bit of this System- . . . will be examined. From how we operate the Office of the Chancellor to how we are organized as a System, . . ." The Press Release also stated "Significant changes could result."

The Board of Governors Chairwoman Cynthia D. Shapira described the challenges of the system as opportunities that will allow the system to improve; especially in the way it serves students. According to the article, "All Options on Table for State System, Even Mergers or Closures," by Bill Schackner found in the Pittsburgh Post Gazette, "State System officials said they will hire a consultant to provide research support and seek input from students, faculty, staff and other stakeholders."

According to the PASSHE website, Mansfield University is ranked second among the 14 State System universities in terms of enrollment numbers with 2,198 Undergraduate and Graduate students for 2016-2017, only above Cheyney University which has only 746 total students enrolled. Cheyney University, located near Philadelphia, was established in 1837 as the first institution of higher learning for African Americans. Like most of the other schools in the system, Mansfield University has experienced a significant drop in enrollment over the past 6 years. A table found in the Pittsburgh Post Gazette shows that the percent change in enrollment for the State System as a whole from 2010 to 2016 was -12.1 percent. The drop in enrollment in the system from 2015 to 2016 alone was -1.9 percent.

Mansfield University is ranked second in terms of percentage change in enrollment both from 2010 to 2016 (-35.2 percent) and from 2015 to 2016 (-7.0 percent). Only two of the fourteen universities (West Chester and Slippery Rock) had gains in enrollment for both

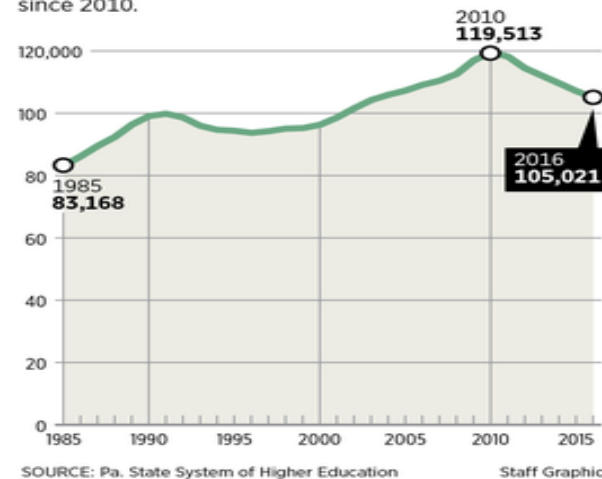
2010 to 2016 and 2015 to 2016; however, the only significant gain was West Chester's gain in enrollment from 2010 to 2016, which was 17.4 percent.

An article titled "Pa. State Colleges Will Look at Merger, Closure of Campuses" found in the Philadelphia Media Network (Digital) written by Susan Snyder describes that this intense review of the state system "Comes as many colleges across the region and nation have struggled with falling enrollment as the number of high school graduates declines and the higher-education market becomes more competitive."

According to Snyder, the PASSHE review is a result of fewer funds being allocated to the system from the state. Delano, from CBS Pittsburgh, writes in the article, "University Review Could Lead to Some College Closings," that the drop in enrollment is partly due to the fact that there are less college age students in the population. Delano also mentions a drop in government funding as a factor in the drop in enrollment numbers. Delano quotes Megan Colt, a high school advisor

Falling Enrollment at Pa. State Colleges

Enrollment has declined for six straight years at the 14 campuses in the Pennsylvania State System of Higher Education system, dropping by 12 percent since 2010.



at Charters Valley High School, "Now you have to have the lazy river, you have to have the climbing wall. Dining services have to have the sushi bar, so they're competing against a lot of private schools that have all the bells and whistles." Delano also addresses private schools and community colleges saying that the private schools offer more funding to students and that community colleges have lower tuition rates all together.

Snyder explains that the review is not likely to be done quickly, although the Chancellor would like to complete it within the 2017 year. The effect of this review on Mansfield University and the other State Schools is unclear. Mr. Scott Barton, Assistant Vice President for Finance and Administration at Mansfield University, gave no comment on how the review will affect the university's budget. However, Delano quotes Cynthia Shapira, "Everything is on the table but, "Any conclusions whatsoever are premature."

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Info-To-Go

Campus Bulletin Board

PA Forestry Films in 104 Alumni from 4-5:30. They are showing Gilford Pinchot's Conservation Legacy & Mira Lloyd Dock: A beautiful Crusade

Worship Night: An Interdenominational Worship Experience, 7pm at The Hut, February 27, March 27, April 24th.

Spring Musical, Young Frankenstein. Shows are March 2, 3, 4, at 7:30p.m. and March 5, 2017 at 2:30p.m. in the Straughn Auditorium. Tickets available at www.mansfield.edu/theatre/ or at the door

This is the first issue of The Flashlight for the Spring 2017 semester. Thank you for choosing to read our newspaper.

POLICE BEAT

- Anyone with information on any these events are encouraged to contact the Mansfield University Police at 570-439-4900 -

02/02/17 - University Police are investigating the dumping of ceramic tiles near a university owned garage on Sullivan Street known as Mobile Station # 2. A University employee reported observing a red Dodge pickup truck with gold trim in the area of the offense.

02/1/16 - A white sign board belong to Student Activities was removed by unknown person(s) between 1/27-2/1.

1/27/17 - Mansfield University residence life personnel requested assistance in addressing an intoxicated individual, Woolridge, who was contacted in an apparent state of intoxication as he was returning to Sycamore residence hall. Upon contact, evidence of intoxication was observed and documented by police personnel. Woolridge will be judicially referred and will also be issued a summary violation citation for minor consuming alcohol.

1/12/16 - A 2006 hours police received a fire alarm indicating a fire in Oak dormitory. Police responded to the location finding a stove fire in the kitchen of Oak dormitory. Police dispatched Mansfield Fire Department to the scene. Police were able to extinguish the fire at 8:09 P.M. using an available fire extinguisher. Mansfield Fire Department arrived, checked the building and setup a ventilation system to remove the smoke.

World News

Headlines from across the planet

Blurbs courtesy of cnn.com



2/8/17 - House of Commons OKs Brexit bill

- Brexit minister says people must unite on exit from the EU
- Legislation easily passes lower house, moves to House of Lords
- Britain's lower house of Parliament passed legislation Wednesday to allow Prime Minister Theresa May's government to officially begin the Brexit process

2/8/17 - 'Our people first:' Trump's travel ban finds fans in Europe

- Trump's executive order has been greeted with support by some in Europe
- Ban appeals to those divided in EU by rapid social change, influx of refugees and economic stagnation
- President Donald Trump's bid to keep the "bad dudes" out of America may have provoked global demonstrations, but that doesn't mean there's a lack of support for the travel ban among some Europeans

2/8/17 - Mother of slain backpacker writes angry letter to Trump over terror list

- The mother of a slain British backpacker has written a scathing letter to US President Donald Trump after her daughter's killing in Australia appeared on the White House's list of 78 underreported terror attacks
- "My daughter's death will not be used to further this insane persecution of innocent people," Rosie Ayliffe wrote in a statement posted to

Facebook

- Mia Ayliffe-Chung, 21, was stabbed to death in Queensland in August along with fellow backpacker Tom Jackson, 30

2/8/17 - 6 Red Cross workers killed in Afghanistan

- Two Red Cross workers remain unaccounted for after deadly attack
- No group has claimed responsibility; Taliban denies involvement
- Gunmen killed six Red Cross workers on Wednesday in northern Afghanistan
- A team of three drivers and five field officers was on its way to deliver livestock materials to an area in Jawzjan province when "unknown armed men" attacked it, the International Committee of the Red Cross (ICRC) said

2/8/17 - Syrian President: Trump's pledge to fight terror 'promising'

- Syrian President applauds Trump's promises on ISIS
- Assad criticizes EU support of rebel opposition groups
- Syria's leader has praised Donald Trump's rhetoric on terror, saying the new US President's pledge to prioritize the fight against terrorism, including ISIS, was "promising."

2/8/17 - Yemen requests no US ground missions without approval after raid

- Yemen official: "A raid was the wrong option and failure was written all over it"
- Civilians, including children, killed in raid aimed at al Qaeda in the Arabian Peninsula

SGA adds new senator

MU begins testing for new website

By HANNAH GROVER
Staff Writer

The Student Government Association met Tuesday night as one of their weekly meetings. Vice President Wickizer ran the meeting in President Kiana Medley’s absence. He reported that, at the Ribbon Cutting Ceremony of their new office in Alumni last Friday, only two senators attended. He encouraged the senators to attend more University events.

The Committee of Student Affairs reported that professors want to know what students want when it comes to their advisors. There will be more news concerning how this information will be gathered in the coming weeks.

The Committee of Technology announced that the Technology department is starting a process to make computer access more available to students. They are planning on taking out some of the more unused computer labs around campus and disseminating personal laptops to every student on campus. This is a work-in-progress that will probably not be completed for several years, but the project itself is in the beginning stages.

Two new senators were approved to join the SGA: Tyler Walters was appointed secretary and Conner Newkam-Ulrich became a new member. “I love [Mansfield], and if you love something you should at least help it suc-

ceed,” Conner said, “I really want to make sure there are more activities on campus and that all activities are advertised well.”

Faculty Advisor Dr. Todd Ranney, voiced his concern to the senators that the representation of clubs has dwindled and that there needs to be communication about why that has happened. Representatives should attend SGA meetings to give a voice for their club, and that cannot happen if they are not in attendance at the meetings. The same goes for committees that are continually absent. Secondly, he announced that he is starting a Voice Master Class in Butler 202 on Wednesday from 4:30-6. It is free and open for students, faculty, staff, and the general public.

The Interim Dean of Students, Frank Crofchick, the director of the Department of Student Life and Living announced that the Department of Student Affairs is no more and that it has changed to become the larger umbrella of Student Life and Living which encompasses the offices of Greek Life, Residence Life and Dining, Multicultural Affairs. He is going to make sure that there are more fun activities and events for students on campus. Anyone who has ideas for activities, new clubs, and anything Student Life oriented should contact him at his office in 327 Alumni Hall or his email: fcrofchi@mansfield.edu.

By CJ MORAN
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User Testing for the Mansfield University website commenced on Monday, February 8, 2017. The Mansfield University website, like many other college websites, is not perfect. In attempt to fix this, Mansfield University’s Department of Communications and Marketing has commenced user testing in order to better understand what are the major setbacks and challenges in navigating the site, as well as finding out what works well already.

The process of making Mansfield University’s website more user friendly started in 2013, when the Department of Communications and Marketing was tasked with updating the site to better suit the needs of students, parents, prospective students, faculty, and people in the outside community. Their hope is to make the website modern and responsive. In 2015, the website was officially usable on tablets and mobile phones. The next step in the process, then, is to do some user testing to be able to make the site work more efficiently and to make it more accessible to those that use it.

Alison Hurlbert, an English major, joined the Department of Communications and Marketing this semester as an intern. Using experience and knowledge

gained in Dr. Lint’s class, “Writing for the Web”, she is eager to help the department with this task. “I am really excited, and looking forward to the process and the results.” Hurlbert said. The first phase of the user testing has begun with current students, which will last a few weeks. They will continue to test the site with prospective high school students in conjunction with their school counselors, faculty and staff on campus, alumni, and other community members.

Everyone who volunteers to test the website will be entered to win a twenty-five dollar gift card for Sheetz. The testing itself will take place in North Hall, room 102. Students will have to navigate the website based on prompts to see if there are problems or confusion as to how to get to certain areas of the website. It should not take more than twenty minutes, as testers will go through five or six tasks that take about two minutes each. User testing for current Mansfield University students will go until February 24, though if it is necessary, the trial may last longer. For more information about the user testing, contact Alison Hurlbert at hurlbertas25@mansfield.edu.

CAMPUS EVENTS CALENDAR						
Friday	Saturday	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday
10 Love is in the air...with Animal Care Sanctuary! 11:00 AM - 1:00 PM	11	12	13	14	15 Student Weekly Open Mic. Night @ The Hut - 8:00 PM - 11:30 PM	16 Admissions Saturday Preview
17	18	19	20 Last Day to Complete 'Credit by Exam'	21	22 Student Weekly Open Mic. Night @ The Hut - 8:00 PM - 11:30 PM	23

M.U.T.T. Starts Semester

MU Hosts Regional STEM Competition

By HANNAH GROVER
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Mansfield University Table Top is an organization on campus that was newly incorporated with SGA last semester. There has been a rumor that Mansfield University Table Top is a table tennis group, however, that is not the case at all. M.U.T.T. is a club for any student to feel welcome as they have fun playing all kinds of board games from Munchkins to Risk, and also a variety of card games, such as Magic The Gathering and Pokemon.

There are many people who also play Dungeons and Dragons, a roleplaying game primarily played with dice as players create characters who adventure through far off lands to fight evil. Mansfield University Table Top was founded by Alan Mann, president of the club, , “When I got here as a freshman, I looked for a club that offered what I was looking for, but there wasn’t anything like it, so I created one,” he said, “We’re a fun

group that gets together to play our favorite games without fear of judgement.”

M.U.T.T. has even held several Magic The Gathering Tournaments for club members to test their skills and win great prizes. Wednesday, February 1, was M.U.T.T.’s first meeting of the new semester. Many were able to play a new board game, Betrayal at House on The Hill, which is similar to the old-fashioned game, Clue. Cards Against Humanity, Sorry, and Farkle are games other members like to play.

“I love being able to hang out with my friends every week and I have fun competing against them in our Magic Tournaments,” Brandon Philips, a club member, said. M.U.T.T. is a really interesting group for anyone who likes to play board games and card games, too! The club meets on Wednesday nights at 6p.m. in Alumni 317. For more information, check out M.U.T.T.’s facebook page: M.U.T.T., email Alan Mann at manna@mansfield.edu.



Photo Courtesy of Terry Day

Teams from North Penn-Mansfield, Loyalsock, Williamsport, and Northeast Bradford High Schools participated in a regional round of the Pennsylvania Governor’s STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering, Math) Competition, hosted by the Mansfield University Education and Special Education Department, on Thursday, February 2.

The teams were challenged to research, present and design a de-

vice/project that is capable of making the quality of life better for citizens of Pennsylvania. The students demonstrated their projects to a panel of judges and also submitted a written project plan.

Once all of the projects were presented, the teams were given a box of materials and 30 minutes to complete a set of tasks. This activity was known as the “project in a box.”

The team from Northeast Bradford advanced to the statewide STEM competition.

Michele Whitecraft, MU assistant professor of Education and Special Education, served as a judge, along with Steve Stone, president of Primus Technologies, and Amanda Smith, STEM Outreach and Engagement liaison for the Center for Science and the Schools at Penn State University.

Nanci Werner-Burke, professor of Education and Special Education, served as the site coordinator. Students from Whitecraft and Werner-Burke’s classes were on hand to observe the competition.

Provost Steven Siconolfi welcomes the competitors on behalf of the University.

SGA holds ribbon cutting ceremony

By CJ MORAN
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The Student Government Association (SGA) held a ribbon cutting ceremony at 1 p.m. on Friday, February 3, to celebrate their new office in 134 Alumni Hall. They had cookies and other light refreshments. SGA’s previous office was in what is now the commuter’s lounge. The main difference from the commuter’s lounge and their new office is size - the new office is bigger. The new office has space for all of the members’ desks, and SGA would even like to showcase student art. Both the president and vice president urge students to come check out the new office!

Horoscopes

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ARIES

March 21 - April 19

Someone is looking for an intriguing influence or inspiration, and given your stature within the group, you could fit the bill perfectly. A surge of confident energy hits you either today or tomorrow, and it helps you realize how much influence you truly have. Important people are paying attention to you right now, and you might not be noticing how many questions they’re suddenly asking. There are plans in the works -- and your name keeps popping up.

TAURUS

April 20 - May 20

If you’ve been waiting for a day when you can break loose and go a little nutty (in a good way, of course), today is the day! There’s nothing holding you back from poking fun, having a laugh and playing a few pranks. The only thing you need to remember is that certain commitments need to be honored -- or your reputation might suffer. The balance between play and work is easy to manage today, especially since you’ll get to sway the scales in the direction of fun.

GEMINI

May 21 - June 21

Stay on the straight and narrow today -- just because you see a shortcut doesn’t mean you should take it. Today is all about keeping your head down, working hard and playing by the rules. Even though you’ve seen other folks get ahead by making deals and cutting corners, don’t get the wrong idea. Cheaters never prosper -- the guilt alone will add so much stress to your life that any gains you make will be meaningless. You’ve got the skills and the drive, so why bother with the schemes?

CANCER

June 22 - July 22

Regardless of the weather today, you may find yourself feeling shrouded in clouds. Your moodiness or blue feelings aren’t anything to be worried about, however. This is a normal phase of darkness that will pass as soon as you get back in touch with the emotional stimulation you’ve been missing out on. New ideas and innovative ways of thinking will expedite this process, so expose yourself to creative expression as much as you can.

LEO

July 23 - August 22

Your mood may shift from time to time today, but that doesn’t mean you won’t get a lot of things done. In fact, a long-anticipated conversation will set you straight on some confusing matters, a small but meaningful goal will finally be met and a casual relationship will solidify into something more. Your feelings will be hard to pin down and your energy will be a bit erratic, but you’ll end this day feeling content about the steps you’ve taken.

VIRGO

August 23 - September 22

As soon as you wake up this morning, you’ll be raring to go! Whether your to-do list is teensy-weensy or a mile and a half long, you’ll be able to get everything done before sunset. Good work and a few lucky coincidences will save you a lot of time and prevent some pounding headaches. So what should you do with all the free time you’ll have tonight? Whatever the heck you want. Go out for a night on the town, or watch a sappy movie. Your time will be your own.

LIBRA

September 23 - October 22

It may be time to say goodbye to something that’s been in your life for a very long time (too long, in fact). You’re moving into an exciting new phase of life, and to make the journey all the more successful, you need to drop off some old baggage and lighten your load. Admit to yourself that you have limitations, and don’t be embarrassed if you never reached that one thing you were working for. Let go of something that once inspired you, but is now frustrating.

SCORPIO

October 23 - November 21

Your temper might be quick to flare today, so try to prevent stressful situations before they happen. If you can, separate yourself from the rest of the crowd and try to do your work or study solo. If that’s just not practical, keep your mind focused on your own priorities, and learn that when you argue with a fool, you’re giving them too much credit. People who want to push your buttons are simply not worth your energy. If you’re pushed, don’t push back.

SAGITTARIUS

November 22 - December 21

You may wake up feeling like you’re under a black cloud this morning, but try not to let your pessimistic side take over every aspect of today. Worry and concern will surround you, but there are a lot of positive -- even happy -- things you can focus on, so keep an eye out for them! Cheerful people will be able to lift your spirits very effectively, so surround yourself with the folks who make you smile -- not the ones who make you question your own abilities.

CAPRICORN

December 22 - January 19

Today, if an unexpected cancellation happens, take it as a sign that you need to slow down -- because you definitely do! What’s the rush, anyway? You’ve been running at full tilt for quite a while, but what you may not realize is that there’s no deadline looming ahead that you need to be too worried about. Don’t move according to someone else’s schedule. Instead, go at a pace that enables you to feel relaxed and at ease with yourself. That’s more important than anything else.

AQUARIUS

January 20 - February 18

In this new push of yours to take more control over your future, don’t forget that a big part of being industrious is calling upon other people to help you. While you certainly shouldn’t depend on others to do things for you, there’s nothing wrong with reaching out and using your connections. After all, if you don’t use a connection, after a while you lose it. Call in a few favors, and be sure to make it clear to these folks that you know how to show the proper amount of gratitude.

PISCES

February 19 - March 20

The good news is that all of your plans are coming together nicely now, and everything is humming along without a hitch. The bad news is that with less to keep you busy, you have a greater weakness for distraction. The frivolous stuff will catch your eye and could keep you from staying on your toes. It’s important to integrate entertainment and fun into your life, but you also need to maintain balance. Have fun, but stay alert.

Presidential Coin for Excellence Awarded to Ada Mae Saxton '53

Longtime Trustee and Mansfield alumna Ada Mae Saxton was awarded the Mansfield University Presidential Coin for Excellence by President Fran Hendricks on February 3.

Saxton of Harrisburg, PA, a 1953 Mansfield graduate, served on the Council of Trustees from 1997 until retiring from the board in 2013.

“Ada Mae’s support of our university has been constant and unwavering,” Hendricks said. “From her work as a Trustee, her support of alumni events and her establishing a scholarship for music students, she has always shown

her love of Mansfield. Ada Mae is very deserving of this honor.”

The coin was developed by Hendricks and designed by MU Senior Graphics Designer Andy Worthington. It is awarded selectively to persons who have contributed greatly to the university, using the Mansfield Creed; Character, Scholarship, Culture and Service as a guideline.

The coin bears several symbols representing historical highlights and other aspects of the university that make it distinctive.



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We let you bring your fish to the meetings.
Come on down to room 2M Alumni Hall at 4pm.

Mansfield Designated a “White House Healthy Campus”

Mansfield University has been designated a “White House Healthy Campus.” The university will receive a certificate for the honor and will also participate in the Healthy Campus Challenge Day at the White House on Friday, January 13.

Associate Director of Student Life Frank Crofchick, student Christopher Homa and 2016 graduate Mark Nellenbach will travel to Washington, DC to take part in the Healthy Campus Challenge Day, which will include remarks from First Lady Michelle Obama.

“Wellness and its multi-components are a prime focus across our campus, and a key contributor to the Mansfield experience, our

students’ success and the life that awaits each of them post-graduation,” MU President Fran Hendricks said. “Hats off to Frank Crofchick for leading the way to have MU’s efforts recognized at the White House as a healthy campus. Mansfield is honored to be joining other universities and colleges from across the nation in this special event.”

To qualify as a “Healthy Campus,” Mansfield completed an application process, spearheaded by Crofchick, and was among 350 schools nationwide selected to participate in the White House Healthy Campus Challenge.

North Hall to Honor Best Essay

By CJ MORAN
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This year’s North Hall library essay contest will accept submissions until February 14, 2017. Eligible papers are those that earned an ‘A-’ or better, were written over the past year, were written using library resources, and are at least five pages. There are two prizes, each \$150 - one for papers of five to nine pages, and one for papers of ten or more pages. The purpose of the contest is to ‘recognize, honor and celebrate undergraduate research that uses North Hall Library resources and services’. Therefore, papers will be judged on originality, scholarship, writing, research skills, and faculty recommendation.

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Concert Choir Takes Center Stage at Carnegie Hall



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“How to get to Carnegie Hall?” is the question on the front of some t-shirts sold at gift shops in New York City, and the answer is given on its back: “Practice, practice!” Not that this advice is wrong,—the Mansfield University the Concert Choir practiced a lot during the fall semester, and, on the evening of the concert in Carnegie, held a rehearsal at Marble Collegiate Church on Fifth Avenue, but so much more had to come together to make a concert in the venerable hall a reality.

More than a year ago, Performing Arts Educators, a non-profit organization with the praiseworthy goal of connecting performing groups with first-class venues, had asked MU Director of Choral Activities Peggy Dettwiler to organize and direct their 11th Annual Invitational at Carnegie Hall on Saturday, January 14.

Since the date was Martin Luther King Weekend, it was decided that the event would celebrate the life of the civil rights icon of the 1960s, one of the great peacemakers of our time. Soon a motto was found: “Of War, Peace, and the Power of Music.”

Invitations went out to a number of choral directors in half-a-day’s driving distance to New York City; some of them Mansfield University graduates who, in their career as teachers and choral educators, had built up ensembles with a reputation of excellence.

The groups that performed, with MU gradu-

ates leading them asterisked, were:

Port Alleghany High School Chamber Singers (Port Alleghany, PA), Kenneth J. Myers*

Palmyra-Macedon Select Choir (Palmyra, NY), Jill Marie Davis*

Renaissance (Dover, PA), Samantha Roberts*

Waterford Institute of Technology Youth Choir (Waterford, Ireland), Niall Crowley

Cranford High School Choir (Cranford, NJ), Anthony J. Rafaniello

East Brunswick High School Choir (East Brunswick, NJ), Zachary Gates, Gregory Jung

Morris Knolls High School Choir (Rockaway, NJ), Michael Semancik

Virginia Glee Club (Charlottesville, VA), Frank Albinder

Mansfield University Concert Choir (Mansfield, PA), Peggy Dettwiler

The MU Concert Choir was the last ensemble to perform before the Finale. The singers started with Samuel Adler’s Prophecy of Peace, a fanfare-like affirmation of Biblical verses, followed by Bernstein’s House, arranged by Rob Fisher, a combination of two songs from Peter Pan and 1600 Pennsylvania Avenue, with Madeleine Hoover on the piano and Tayana Woodton on the cello.

Thomas Dorsey’s Precious Lord, on a text that was particularly meaningful for

Martin Luther King in times of crisis, left no eye dry, and the same can be said of Marta Keen’s Homeward Bound with Eli Sauls, Victoria Royal, and Donovan Darienzo as vocal soloists.

Engaging the audience with sonorous imitation of dripping and torrential rain as well as lightning and thunder in the transition to the last number proved tricky, but then the joyful Unclouded Day by J. K. Alwood burst forth. At the end, there was a standing ovation for the singers from Mansfield.

The hymn-like polyphonic Finale gathered all 450 singers in a glorious rendition of Ralph Vaughan Williams’s “Nation shall not lift up a sword against nation” from Dona Nobis Pacem, a work that will be performed in April by the Festival Chorus in Mansfield.

Colin Macknight (Juilliard School of Music), organ; MU’s Madeline Hoover, piano; and Mansfield percussionists Coleman Lidle, Khosi Jones, Joseph Turner and Cole Ramsey assisted in undergirding the dense choral textures with instrumental and percussive sounds.

The greatest praise, however, must go to Dettwiler, who held the tricky textures and conflicting meters and tempo changes together as a conductor, despite limited rehearsal time and a Carnegie-paid time-keeper breathing down her neck even before the allotted and paid-for time had run out, and to

senior Lucas Lourenco and sophomore Cassie Zinkan, who performed their solos at the beginning and end of the movement, respectively, with the panache of professional singers.

Zinkan even had the last word, pianissimo, as the choir of nearly half a thousand dropped out to allow her one last “(pa)-cem” that reverberated in the vast spaces of Carnegie Hall. And then there was silence held for nearly 10 seconds or longer, hanging in the air and translating into shivers among listeners, before the applause broke.

Tony Award winning actor and singer Chuck Cooper added a marvelous presence as a singer and speaker. As a baritone he set the stage with a gripping rendition of “I have been in the storm so long” and reminded the audience halfway into the concert with an equally authentic performance of Deep River of the historical context of the concert. As a speaker, Copper functioned as a guide and anchor by reciting statements of Martin Luther King with a great sense of timing as one ensemble walked off stage to make room for the next. At the end, before the Finale, he was even able to invoke not just the words but also the intonation and speech of the great civil rights leader: “We shall overcome...yeah...let’s hear it...come on..... we shall overcome.” And briefly, alas too briefly, we all believed that Martin Luther King Jr. was there among us in the flesh.

Flash fiction: Sailing Along Into Night Tales

By **EVAN JOHNSON**
Editor-in-Chief

Freddie sat in the car, driving with one hand and rubbing his new necklace with the other, while occasionally looking at his reflection in the rearview mirror. The necklace made him feel safe whenever he rubbed it; it gave him a healthier version of the safety he would feel when he drank alcohol. His average face was never easy to read; he instinctively masked his emotions and hid his alcoholism behind a well-kept body. His short handsome shiny brown hair was slicked back, and the smell of Brylcreem was almost overpowering. He stopped staring at himself and looked around the stained old car; there were memories behind almost every stain as well as a distinctive odor. Some memories were bloody and others were lovely. The car had seen the worst and the best in Freddie, and he had had it since high school, which seemed like a decade ago when it was really only three years that had passed since he barely managed to graduate from high school.

All of a sudden, something caught his eye, then he quickly looked up and frantically turned the awkwardly bent wheel with both hands, almost hitting a lone deer standing in the middle of the nameless dirt road on which he was driving. He gathered himself and began rubbing his necklace again. Freddie hated the back roads of America, and avoided them whenever possible because they reminded him of things he wanted to forget. Mostly events from his childhood; actually he preferred to forget his entire childhood. These roads were now an escape to help him

avoid something else, and he needed to get home but wanted to be sober when he got there. If he took the main roads, he would surely stop for a drink and he hadn't had one in three days, a record for Freddie.

Freddie's professors were understanding of his situation and gave him an excused week off from school. He had to get home to New York but didn't have the money for a plane ticket, so he had to drive all the way home from Stanford University in his beater car that didn't have a working radio. The gas prices were going up and he wasn't happy about it, soon they would be up to 30 cents a gallon, he heard. The lack of radio made him uncomfortable. Freddie hated silences, especially at night which was closing in quickly. He wasn't planning on stopping anywhere, just pulling over when he got too tired and sleeping in his car. It would avoid temptation.

The sun was gone now and Freddie could feel a yawn building in his lungs. Just as he opened his mouth to let it out, he saw her, a hitchhiker casually standing on the road with her smooth thumb raised high. She appeared to be covered by darkness and the only thing Freddie could see was that it was a woman who appeared to be in her early forties. Freddie thought for a second before slowing his car down until he stopped right next to the stranger. As he got closer he could see that she was crying. Freddie leaned over and opened the rusted metal door, which squeaked in protest.

"Hop in."

The stranger stopped crying and said nothing, sliding nonchalantly into the crusty

passenger seat, and closed the door. The dirt kicked up behind the car as Freddie drove off with a newfound friend, or at least he hoped she was a friend. The stranger sat there with her hands placed gently on her legs and she stared straight ahead as if she were watching a film. She was wearing a beautiful modest white dress and a pearl necklace, so why was she hitchhiking? She had dark skin and long flowing dark hair that reached down to her waist. For a moment, Freddie was nervous to be picking up a dark skinned woman because of the recent riots at the University of Mississippi. However, there was something about the stranger that was eerily familiar to Freddie, but he couldn't place it. Freddie wanted to know who this woman was.

"So, what's your name?"

She spoke in a unique accent that Freddie couldn't place. "I'm Monica."

It sounded slightly Italian with a stronger accent that he didn't recognize. Freddie thought the stronger accent may have been African but he wasn't sure.

Freddie chuckled under his breath before he responded. "Sorry about laughing."

"It's all right. I understand why you're laughing."

"I doubt it."

"You would be wrong."

Those were the only words that were said for almost an hour before Freddie started getting uncomfortable in the silence of the night.

"So, Monica..."

Monica stared straight ahead as she spoke. "Yes?"

"What were you doing out on the road in the middle of nowhere at night?"

"What are you doing out here?"

Freddie smirked. "I asked first."

"You answer then I will."

"That's not how conversations work."

"It's how this one does."

Freddie didn't feel like arguing. "Alright, I'll tell you. I'm heading home." Freddie said.

For the first time during the entire ride, Monica turned and looked at Freddie. Her eyes were eerily comforting. "Where's home?"

"New York. Coming to be more precise."

"Why are you heading home?"

"I'll tell you after you tell me what you were doing out there."

Monica continued to stare at Freddie. "Waiting."

"Waiting? For what?"

"Someone to come along."

"Anyone in particular?"

"Answer my question first, why are you heading home?"

Freddie looked into the moonless sky and became lost in his thoughts when he spoke.

"My father died. His funeral is this weekend."

"I'm sorry to hear that."

"Don't be. I wasn't when I heard it. The only reason I'm going home is for my mother."

"You didn't get along with your father?"

"Let's just say that when it came to disciplining me, he wasn't a big fan of words."

Monica didn't respond. She stopped looking at Freddie and looked ahead into the dark shapeless night.

To be continued...

MLK Center presents documentary

By **Hannah Grover**
Staff Writer

On Wednesday, February 8, 2017, the Martin Luther King Center presented a very special film screening of "The Anatomy of Hate: A Dialogue to Hope" at 7:30 pm in North Manser. Faculty, staff and students attended the private screening, and the film's producer/director Mike Ramsdell was there to introduce the documentary as well as to discuss the film after the viewing. He made the film in order to help people understand the human dynamics behind hate. "Hate is more of a disease than a personality trait," Ramsdell said before the documentary began.

"The Anatomy of Hate: A Dialogue to Hope" reveals the shared narratives found in individual and collective ideologies of hate, and how we as a species can overcome them. For six years the filmmaker worked with unprecedented access to some of the most venomous ideologies and violent conflicts of our time including the White Supremacist movement, Christian Fundamentalism as an anti-gay platform,

Muslim Extremism, the Palestinian Intifada, Israeli Settlers and Soldiers, and US Forces in Iraq. By juxtaposing this verite footage with interviews from leading sociological, psychological, and neurological experts, and interspersing stories of redemption told by former "combatants", the film weaves a tapestry that reveals both the emotional and biological mechanisms which make all of us susceptible to acts and ideologies of hate, and demonstrates how these very same traits make us equally capable of overcoming them.

After the film, Mike Ramsdell opened a discussion about his film. He invited constructive feedback as well as thoughts in general about what the audience thought after watching the documentary. "The only thing that anyone control is ourselves—it starts with us." He said, "What stops me from seeing someone else as human is hate." The documentary showed that the way to hope, then, is to make a conscious decision not to hate others, but to see each other as human beings with the same desires and passions.

Hacksaw Ridge review

By **KLINE KAUFER**
Co-Editor-in-Chief

Mel Gibson is back in the director seat after a ten-year hiatus. His most recent directed film was *Apocalypto* while he recently starred in *Blood Father*. *Hacksaw Ridge* tells the story of Desmond Doss, a Seventh Day Adventist Christian, who refused to carry a rifle during wartime. He was prominent at the Battle of Okinawa where he lowered injured soldiers off of the mountain where soldiers could seek medical attention. At one point the soldiers had to wait for Doss to pray because they would not go into battle without him. Many Sergeants did not take Doss's objection to violence seriously. The first half of this film displayed Doss falling in love and his life of normalcy and the second half of the film erupts with death and destruction. As soon as the American sol-

diers get to the Battle of Okinawa, the cinematographer is able to show off his skill.

Gibson does not shy away from his violent tendencies; this film was more violent than *Saving Private Ryan* during some sequences. Doss witnesses gore and severed body parts from all around him and it is amazing that he survived without a weapon. *Hacksaw Ridge* has received six Oscar nominations including Best Film, Best Director, Best Original Screenplay, Best Actor and Best Supporting Actor. After seeing Andrew Garfield in many films, he has definitely come into his own as one of the best young actors working today. He is vastly different in each of his roles from Peter Parker in *The Amazing Spider Man* to Eduardo Saverin in *The Social Network* and finally to Desmond Doss. This film was fantastic and did an excellent job at portraying a realistic war story.

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Mounties Picked Fourth in PSAC Central



The Mansfield University softball team has been picked to finish fourth in the Central Division in the PSAC Coaches Poll.

The 2017 Preseason poll, selected by PSAC head coaches, was released today by the conference office.

Mansfield finished fourth in the six-team division in 2016, just one spot away from a PSAC postseason playoff berth.

Bloomsburg, last year's division winner, was picked to finish first followed by Lock Haven and IUP. Mansfield was selected next, ahead of Pitt-Johnstown and Clarion.

The Mountaineers return 12 players from last season's roster led by junior

preseason All-American selection Rachael Sterner.

Other returning starters include junior Melanie Taylor who batted .308 last season, three-year starter Kayla Hahn, Koryn Wickwire, Laura Lawson, Leah McGovern, Taylor Chidester, Casey Pearce and Anna Young along with pitchers Sierra Storm, Ari Young and Brooke Roys.

Edith Gallagher is entering her 26th season as the head coach of the Mountaineers where she has compiled 412 wins and won the PSAC Central Division in 2013. Gallagher will be assisted by Angie Hunley now in her eighth season.

Jones and Clifford Hit PRs at Youngstown State



Kenzie Jones and Ryan Clifford each hit personal bests for Mansfield track and field on day one of the Youngstown State National Invitational on Friday night.

Kenzie Jones hit a personal best and improved her PSAC qualifying time in the 5,000-meter run with a time of 18:25.21. Allison McCurry also hit a conference mark in the 5K at 18:53.98. Jones took 19th overall while McCurry finished 29th.

Ryan Clifford ran a 23-second personal best in the men's 5K and was just shy of a PSAC mark at 15:48.76. The sophomore's time placed him 20th overall.

In the pole vault, Charlsie Bowen hit a season best at 3.52 meters, improving her PSAC-qualifying height. Bowen took seventh overall in the event.

Mansfield will return for day two of the invitational on Saturday.

Coming up in Mountaineer Sports

Friday	Saturday	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday
10	11 Women's Basketball: Mountaineers vs. Shippensburg University 1:00 PM	12 Men's Track and Field: Mountaineers vs. Robert J. Kane Invitational Women's Track and Field: Mountaineers vs. Robert J. Kane Invitational	13	14	15 Women's Basketball: Mountaineers vs. Bloomsburg University 5:30 PM	16
17	18 Baseball: Mountaineers vs. King University (Tenn.) 1:00 PM Men's Basketball: Mountaineers vs. Alfred State College 1:00 PM	19 Baseball: Mountaineers vs. King University (Tenn.) 1:00 PM Baseball: Mountaineers vs. King University (Tenn.) 3:00 PM	20	21	22 Women's Basketball: Mountaineers vs. Lock Haven University 5:30 PM	23

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Talks of state review and future of MU

By CAITLIN STRASSER
Staff Writer

According to President Hendricks, the review of the PASSHE system should not be looked at with fear, but instead as an opportunity to celebrate Mansfield University's unique history and embrace that uniqueness moving forward.

College Stats explains that Pennsylvania consists of "14 community colleges and technical schools[,] . . . 14 state-owned public four-year and graduate colleges[,] and] . . . 154 private four-year and graduate universities." Not only is Mansfield one of the few public universities, but according to the Liberal Arts School Review, it is one of 35 Liberal Arts colleges in Pennsylvania. Of these 35 schools, only 3 are public. According to President Hendricks, Mansfield University is a premier public Liberal Arts school, but he also mentions that other programs exist that are not strictly Liberal Arts programs.

"In order to increase enrollment, we need to tell the Mansfield story whenever and wherever we can. Mansfield is a very special place with incredible programs, compassionate staff, and dedicated professors. Our graduates leave Mansfield prepared to pursue their goals, and our alumni are a testament to our story. This story needs to be shared both locally and beyond the region," said Dr. Rothermel, a political science professor at MU.

President Hendricks stressed the important impact Mansfield University has on the surrounding region, providing local law firms, businesses, and schools with interns and workers. However, he also stressed the impact that Mansfield University graduates have on the entire United States and even other parts of the world. He explained that this impact was due to the experiences students have at Mansfield University that other students do not have at other schools. He mentioned that as an alumnus of Mansfield he was able to experience this first-hand. He felt

What the state universities cost

The 14 state-owned universities are part of the same State System of Higher Education but costs can vary significantly by campus. Below are the total attendance costs most commonly charged by each university, as well as some of the significant charges: tuition, room and board. Other fees not broken out below also are part of the total cost, including mandatory in-state fees and a technology fee.

MOST COMMON PRICE OF ATTENDANCE, 2016, 2017

UNIVERSITY	UNDERGRAD TUITION ¹	ROOM	BOARD	TOTAL COST ²
West Chester	\$7,238	\$5,276	\$2,793	\$17,789
East Stroudsburg	\$7,238	\$5,680	\$2,710	\$18,334
Bloomsburg	\$7,238	\$5,736	\$2,982	\$18,873
Kutztown	\$7,238	\$5,720	\$3,718	\$19,056
Edinboro	\$7,238	\$6,330	\$3,342	\$19,657
Lock Haven	\$7,238	\$6,144	\$3,444	\$19,817
Slippery Rock	\$7,238	\$6,620	\$3,490	\$20,002
California	\$7,238	\$6,592	\$3,494	\$20,425
Cheyney	\$7,238	\$7,600	\$3,980	\$21,114
Clarion	\$7,238	\$7,520	\$3,476	\$21,467
Shippensburg	\$8,430	\$7,726	\$3,590	\$22,768
Indiana	\$8,430	\$8,950	\$3,296	\$23,614
Millersville	\$8,970	\$8,274	\$3,954	\$23,722
Mansfield	\$9,150	\$8,730	\$3,326	\$23,964
Average	\$7,669	\$6,921	\$3,400	\$20,757

¹Based on students taking 30 credits per year

²Includes other fees

³Indiana University of Pennsylvania, Mansfield University, Millersville University and Shippensburg University have per-credit tuition pricing. Mansfield rate is locked in for new students through graduation

Source: State System of Higher Education

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strongly that Mansfield prepared him for his time in the military and the position he is in now.

President Hendricks stressed the importance of putting the students first. He explained that becoming comfortable with a smaller sized environment is essential in moving forward. Demographic shifts and lower enrollment rates are impacting many schools of higher education in the Northwest region of the country and across the country. According to Fortune magazine, "College enrollment dips as more adults ditch degrees for jobs." Total enrollment in places of higher education has been dropping for five years; between 2011 and 2016 the number of students dropped from 20.6 million to 19.01 million. Because of this, becoming comfortable with a smaller number of students at Mansfield is beneficial in best serving students' needs.

According to President Hendricks, the review of the PASSHE system is much needed because the system is unstable. He mentioned the possibility of sharing resources between schools in the system to save schools money in the long run.

Along with the overall experience

students get from attending Mansfield University, President Hendricks also pointed out that frozen tuition rates are another benefit students who attend Mansfield receive. Although tuition was recently changed to a per credit rate, which President Hendricks associates with the university's expense needs, the rate is frozen for students over an 8 semester period. Housing rates will be frozen for students over the same period starting next fall. Also according to President Hendricks, Mansfield is the only school in the PASSHE system that does this. He said these rates will remain frozen so as to continue to put students first.

President Hendricks explained that the PASSHE system review was not just a review of the state schools, but a review of the PASSHE system as a whole, including various offices in the system. He described the review as an opportunity to tell the story of the institution's history and look at what Mansfield does for its graduates and those they impact after graduation. Marketing the programs Mansfield offers and embracing its unique identity as one of three public Liberal Arts institutions in the state will be key throughout the review process as

well as in the general future of higher education.

"As a 4-year state institution, it is far cheaper than private colleges and far better than community colleges (which were originally designed as 2-year vocational schools). We offer an excellent education at a fair price--despite declining state support over the last 30 years. Within PASSHE, Mansfield is unique in several ways. It serves a particular northern tier population (this is why PASSHE schools are geographically dispersed). More importantly, MU is a small university where students are not anonymous. The small size places a greater emphasis on teaching and even individual mentoring. Our graduates learn key skills and learn how to learn--this allows them to be successful in whatever endeavors they engage in after college--and not just the year or two after--the decade or two or five afterward," said Dr. Bosworth, a political science professor at MU.

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- Troy Area Junior/Senior High School Drama Club Presents Elton John & Tim Rice's AIDA The Timeless Love Story School Edition on Friday March 3 at 7:30 p.m., Saturday March 4, 2017 at 1:00 p.m. & 7:30 p.m. in the Troy Memorial Auditorium

This is the second issue of The Flashlight for the Spring 2017 semester. Thank you for choosing to read our newspaper.

POLICE BEAT

- Anyone with information on any these events are encouraged to contact the Mansfield University Police at 570-439-4900

2/3/17 - University Police were called regarding an odor of marijuana on the third floor of Spruce dormitory. Emerald Seing was allegedly in possession of marijuana and paraphernalia. A criminal complaint was filed with District Court 04-3-03 alleging the possession of marijuana and paraphernalia. Emeraled Seing will also be referred to Campus Judicial

World News

Headlines from across the planet

Blurbs courtesy of cnn.com



2/22/17 - Astronomers discover 7 Earth-sized planets orbiting nearby star

- Seven Earth-sized planets have been found orbiting an ultracool dwarf star 40 light-years away
- The planets are temperate, meaning they could have liquid water
- The researchers believe this is the best place outside of our solar system to look for life

2/22/17 - Russia calls Montenegro coup allegations damaging to relations

- Montenegro alleges Russia was involved in attempt to kill ex-Prime Minister
- Moscow says allegations “inflicting serious damage” on relations between two countries

2/22/17 - Ukraine ceasefire: No sign of weapons withdrawal, official says

- Ukraine: “Russia resorts to political and military provocations” rather than full Minsk implementation
- Heavy weapons still in place; hundreds of violations recorded

2/22/17 - China moves unsettle Southeast asian countries

-China has been building structures that could potentially house missiles, report says
-Evidence of building, reclamation in region is unsettling, regional group’s ministers say

2/22/17 - Marine Le Pen’s bodyguard and chief of staff questioned

-Marine Le Pen’s chief of staff taken into custody is subject of judicial inquiry
-Le Pen, of the far-right National Front, is one of the front-runners in France’s presidential race

2/22/17 - 500lb unexploded German WWII bomb found in English harbor

- The bomb was found in a dredger’s shovel
- Divers towed it into open water and safely detonated it

2/22/17 - UK upholds immigration rules on spousal income

-The Supreme Court ruled that the immigration rules are in line with human rights law
-But it said elements regarding children and other income sources should be amended

2/22/17- Amnesty International issues an ominous warning

-Amnesty criticizes rise of divisive rhetoric from governments in annual human rights report
-Report warns of domino effect as powerful states backtrack on human rights commitments

2/22/17 - Life expectancy is expected to soar - except in the U.S.

-Life expectancy at birth is projected to cross the 90-year mark by 2030
-Experts believe we are not yet near our limit for longevity

Japanese Culture Club changes names

Four meals to be offered to full-time faculty

By HANNAH GROVER
Staff Writer

The Japanese Culture Club, previously known as AniMansfield is in the process of changing their name back to AniMansfield. The Japanese Culture Club has been on campus since before 2011, making it one of Mansfield’s oldest clubs. It used to be a brother club to the Kendo club years ago. Though small in membership now, the JCC is a friendly group of people who welcome new members at every meeting.

AniManfield does much more than watch anime. “We try to relate each lesson to some aspect of Japanese culture, including a Japanese word of the day relevant to the lesson,” said Braedyn Post, president of JCC five years in a row. “We have also watched live action films and adaptations, a popular one being House (a hilarious horror movie). We also hang out after the lesson to just relax and play video games.” For example, last Friday, Brandon Phillips, who is both treasurer and secretary of the

club, presented a lesson on Gunpla, which are very high quality model sets that originated in 1979. There were three different anime shows related to gunplay that they watched after the lesson, and then, after finishing the anime, they played video games for a few hours.

“I think what I like most about the club is its members. We are all good friends who joke around with each other and will help out when needed. We are kind of a family of nerds and goofs.” Braedyn said. Megan Kiessling, Vice President, agreed, “People should join us because we are a wonderfully fun goofy group of people who love geeky things.” The Japanese Culture Club, soon to be known again as AniMansfield, meets weekly on Friday nights at 5:30 in Alumni 317. If you’re interested in joining them, join the Facebook group, Mansfield Japanese Culture Club (JCC) or contact Braedyn Post, Megan Kiessling or Brandon Phillips.

Alternative sentencing expert speaks to MU students

Shameeka Mattis-Pinard, director of Programs for Common Justice, a victim service and alternative to incarceration program based in Brooklyn, NY, visited campus on February 9 to speak with students about restorative justice and her profession.

Mattis-Pinard advances alternative sentencing for violent crimes that transforms the lives of victims and fosters racial equity without relying on incarceration for youthful offenders.

The event was sponsored by Lambda Alpha Epsilon (LAE) – American Criminal Justice Association, a national professional coed fra-

ternity for criminal justice students, along with the Student Government Association, Black Student Union and Phi Alpha Honor Society.



By Emma Lynch
Flashlight Contributor

Senior administration began offering four free meals to full-time, on campus, permanent staff and faculty last semester.

This new program was announced by the Provost’s office at the beginning of 2016, which is also when it began, after the University reached a new agreement over the summer with Sodexo. It was originally supposed to automatically roll over to the beginning of this semester, however the Provost pushed the date back in an effort to see if the money spent on those free meals could be better used elsewhere. After discovering that no changes to the contract could be made, the free meal program started up again on February 16.

Any faculty or staff participating in this has the opportunity to continue to be enrolled in the program in following semesters as long as they fill out surveys after each meal. The surveys are six simple, open-ended questions, with the only goals in mind being data collection and evaluation of the food.

There has been a positive reaction from faculty and staff, even if they don’t participate in it themselves. “I stay here during lunch, I keep my office open,” LouAnn Rumsey, the secretary for the English, Geosciences, ISE, Woman’s Studies, and World

Languages departments, said. She continued by saying that despite not participating, she still thinks the program is a good thing. This is not to say that all those who are eligible took advantage of it, however. “Only about 400 meals were used last semester,” Dr. Steve Siconolfi, Provost, said.

Eligible faculty and staff ID cards have already been programmed for the four meals. Swiping it at the checker in Upper Manser will automatically remove one meal.

In previous semesters the quality control checks were not quite as robust. A small group of people on campus were offered free meals throughout the semester in return for feedback on the quality of food. By changing who is offered the meals, how many are offered and when, a more robust quality control system is created. It also gives more variety as to who is doing the checks; instead of one small group of people there is a large group, spread across campus.

Dr. Siconolfi also encourages students to fill out similar surveys on quality control. These surveys can be found online, using the school website, and any student is welcome to fill them out.

“I encourage students to fill out the surveys because the more feedback we have, the better food service we can give. This also gives us more tools for negotiations with Sodexo,” Siconolfi said.

CAMPUS EVENTS CALENDAR

Friday	Saturday	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday
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3 Pedal Power 6:15a.m. - 7:15a.m. MUSICAL - Young Frankenstein 7:30a.m. - 9:30p.m. Admissions Visit Day 8:00a.m. - 3:00p.m. Climbing Gym Open 4:00p.m. - 9:00p.m.	4 Student BUS Trip - Knights VS Bandits - Professional Lacrosse Game - Rochester, NY 9:45a.m. - 7:45p.m. Nicholas Wathen and Samantha Eckrich, Jr/Sr Recital 4:00p.m. - 5:30p.m.	5 MUSICAL - Young Frankenstein 2:30p.m. - 5:30p.m. MU Jazz Ensemble Concert 7:30p.m. - 9:00p.m.	6 Diversity Puzzle (Sycamore Third & Fourth Floor) Starts: 3/6/2017 Ends: 3/12/2017 All Day Tea Time All Day Cookie Grab 7:30a.m. - 8:30a.m.	7 Cardio Pump 6:00p.m. - 6:30p.m. Intramural Soccer 6:00p.m. - 10:00p.m. Secret Agents 7:00p.m. - 9:00p.m. Zumba 7:00p.m. - 8:00p.m.	8 Total Body Workout 5:00p.m. - 6:00p.m. All Levels Yoga 6:30p.m. - 7:30p.m. Kahoot Trivia Night! 7:00p.m. - 8:00p.m. Create Your Own Pizza 8:00p.m. - 9:00p.m.	9 Climbing Gym Open 11:30a.m. - 1:30p.m. Intramural Basketball 6:00p.m.- 11:00p.m. Zumba 6:00p.m. - 7:00p.m. Pilates 7:00p.m. - 8:00p.m.

Students will travel to Belize

By **ELLY FRANZ**
Flashlight Contributor

Two Mansfield University students will go to Belize this summer. Nathan Romanowski and Caitlin Moran, members of the honors program, have been given the chance to go to Belize. They will earn six credits toward their education at Mansfield. The Belize Summer Honors program has been opened to all Mansfield University students for the past three years, but this semester it is only open to PASSHE honor program students from multiple colleges.

Every year PASSHE chooses a school to host the honors study abroad trip and this year Mansfield was chosen considering how well

known the Belize trip at Mansfield was. Next year it will again be open to all students.

Both Romanowski and Moran were chosen because of completing an application and interview process for the Belize trip. Multiple other students had applied to attend but were not selected.

The students will travel across Belize and experience the country as much as they can; from interviewing politicians to going to Belize zoos. "Last year, Dr. Rothermel and Dr. Bosworth planned the trip well and gave us a diverse look at the country," Sarah LaFrance said.

Students must participate in the trip by interviewing and researching their topic for the research paper they write at the end to receive credit.

Off-Beat Cinema at The Hut

By **MICHAEL GLASSER**
Flashlight Contributor

The Hut showcased the 1970s' Rolling Stones documentary, Gimme Shelter, during Off-Beat Cinema on February 17.

The film shows the story of The Rolling Stones during their 1969 US tour as well as the making of their album Sticky Fingers. In addition, the film highlights the murder of Meredith Hunter, a fan who ran onto the stage during their show, by the Hells Angels who were protecting the band at Altamont Speedway in Southern California.

Off-Beat Cinema takes place every Friday night at The Hut and screens feature, cutting edge films, concert films, sci-fi, and every other genre of film in full, concert surround sound. As long as the film is either on YouTube or in the public domain, then The Hut can show the

movie to avoid copyright infringement.

Ryan Dalton, the manager of The Hut, said, "Art-house cinemas, indie cinemas, concert films and avant-garde are shown [during Off-Beat Cinema]. We don't want to be just another 'movie playing' on campus. This is something of an experience film, a concert film, and something different that challenges the status quo, perhaps a movie made outside of convention."

Lucas Eaton, a former Mansfield University student who attended the event, said, "It's cool to see how much concerts, security, and the recording industry have evolved over the past 50 or so years."

More information on The Hut and what is playing at Off-Beat Cinema can be found on The Hut at Mansfield University's Facebook page.

Non-Greek, anti-bullying, fine arts fraternity HBT raises over \$45 in one week

By **Tyler Krasani**
Flashlight Contributor

The Non-Greek, anti-bullying, fine arts fraternity raised over \$45 by selling what they called calming bottles last week. "[O]ur fundraisers typically go towards funding other things HBT does or will do. We use those funds to either donate to places like Haven or Planned Parenthood or to fund future fundraisers so we can donate then," Fundraiser Emma Lynch said.

The fundraiser was held inside the Belknap Hall last week. "We noticed that a lot of fundraisers in Lower Manser were being overlooked, so we decided to come here, where more commuters go in order to get as much exposure as possible," Treasurer Alana Young said on Friday, when asked about why the group had chosen that location over others.

"While we are attempting

HAVEN hosted open house on campus



Photo Courtesy of Kortney Regis

By **KORTNEY REGIS**
Flashlight Contributor

HAVEN of Tioga County hosted an open house at their new location on campus Thursday, February 16, from 9 a.m. -4:30 p.m. in 104 Alumni Hall.

HAVEN has been on Mansfield campus for about two years providing free and confidential services to anyone who is or was a victim of domestic violence and sexual assault.

This December the organization moved from Pinecrest to 104 Alumni. "We want students to know our location in case they need to use our services for any reason," Jenna Townsend, a recent MU graduate, said.

Snacks, giveaways and information was provided by HAVEN's main office in Wellsboro,

which is available to talk 24-hours a day. The on-campus office is open on Thursdays from 9-4:30 or anytime via appointment.

Students will still be able to find giveaways outside of the old office in Pinecrest thanks to the help of Linda Baldassari, an employee of HAVEN. "Before people would go through there [Pinecrest] as a 'cut through' and now, we don't have the student flow like we used too," Baldassari said. By maintaining the billboard in Pinecrest, students will still be able to find helpful information without going out of their way.

Some of the services HAVEN provides includes emergency sheltering, optional counseling, legal services, and medical accompaniment along with much more. All services are free with no hidden cost and are fully confidential. HAVEN of Tioga County is not the only HA-

VEN that students can reach out to. Surrounding counties such as Potter and Bradford offer many of the same services.

Students are encouraged to stop in or call if they have any concerns or questions about HAVEN and their services. More information can be found at info@havenoftiogacounty.org or by calling 570-724-3549.

The 24-Hour Hotline is 1-800-550-0447.

Student volunteers are welcomed and internships are available. Many people believe HAVEN is only for women, but in fact, men and women are equally as effected by domestic violence and sexual assault. HAVEN has open arms to take anyone in that needs help.

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4pm.

Student Life Leadership celebration held



The fourth annual Student Life Leadership Celebration was held at Mansfield University on Thursday, February 16.

The event, spearheaded by the Student Affairs and Student Life Division, is the culmination of an effort to acknowledge members of the campus community whose actions best represent the Mansfield Creed in action.

Sixty students, faculty and staff were nominated and recognized at the event. All the nominations were submitted to a committee to determine individuals who represent a facet of the Mansfield Creed; Character, Scholarship, Culture and Service in an exemplary fashion. They received special recognition at the celebration event.

Angel King, a Chemistry major from Mansfield, PA was honored for Character.

King was nominated by Associate Director of Admissions Jan Yoder and Administrative Assistant Lindy Hampsher.

"Angel King's character not only exemplifies the spirit of the Creed—one whose actions impact others in a most positive way—but is beyond measure," her nominations reads. "Whatever the undertaking or favor requested of Angel, she approaches it with a smile and positive attitude. Angel King is a true Mountie Ambassador leader and role model, both on and off campus."

Nick Best, a Music major from Montrose, PA was honored for Scholarship. He was nominated by Mike Stamp, assis-

tant director of the Kelchner Fitness Center, whose nomination said, "Nick steps up in many leadership roles on a daily basis as both a student in the Music Department and as an employee at the Kelchner Fitness Center. Last summer, Nick also stepped up as a camp counselor at the first ever Mountie Outdoor Adventure Camp....Nick took a vested interest in each of the campers and taught them a number of skills and techniques including how to use rock climbing equipment and how to rock climb, how to identify specific plants and animals in the wild, and for some, how to play the ukulele while relaxing at camp. Nick went above and beyond in his role as camp counselor and played an immense part in making the first ever Mountie Outdoor Adventure Camp a success."

Ruth Hermansen, associate controller of Student Life, was honored for Culture.

She was nominated by Jackie Johnson, associate director of Student Services, who said, "Ruth displayed her dedication to expanding MU students' cultural experiences, and that of her own, by graciously inviting one of our International students to spend the entire Thanksgiving holiday with her family. They traveled out of town to visit family, and 'adopted' the MU student, including her in their extensive holiday weekend. This student would have otherwise spent the weekend alone, if it was not for Ruth's leadership role in providing a generous cultural experience for an MU student."

Jesse Olson, Geosciences major from Galeton, PA, was honored for Service.

Olson was nominated by Jason Welch, purchasing agent and advisor for Mansfield University Student Veterans Organization (MUSVO).

Welch wrote, "Jesse Olson has demonstrated acts of selfless service to Mansfield University and the Mansfield University's student veterans that has exceeded beyond what is expected as a student. After completing three combat tours in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom and Operation New Dawn, Jesse has continued to serve in various leadership positions. He is the founding president and current treasurer of the MU Student Veterans Organization (MUSVO), Veterans of Foreign Wars (VFW) Department of PA District 15 Commander, as well as serving in various leadership positions within the VFW. Jesse is a currently pursuing a BS in Geography with a focus in Environmental Science and Mapping Technology. He has dedicated extensive hours into ensuring that the student veterans and military members of Mansfield University have a resource center that will support future endeavors for members of the SVO for years to come. Jesse is an individual with the drive and determination that will enable him to conquer any obstacle that stands in the way of his goals."

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Intramural Basketball Game

Goon Squad vs. We Them Boys

Valentine's Day movie premieres

By ADAM HUTCHISON
Flashlight Contributor

Thursday nights are all about basketball at Kelchner Fitness Center. Starting at 6 p.m. the games began with two very good teams. The tip off was at 6:07 p.m. and ended at 7:00 p.m. with the teams of “Goon Squad,” and “We Them Boys”.

This is just one of the many games that intramurals play each week. Basketball is one of the bigger sports that fields up to 10 teams with 5 games playing between 6 p.m. and 11 p.m. This being only the preseason it still was the best game of the night when it came to all the matchups.

The game started off close but with We Them Boys took a commanding 20 point lead going into halftime. The defense was not the best for Goon Squad at the beginning. After half time Goon squad cleaned up some of the problems they had on defense. With the final score of the game being 57-50 with We Them Boys winning. Even though the score

was close at the end the game was one sided the whole game.

“We were down 20 points then switched to a 1-3-1 zone defense and we held them to a 10 point second half,” said Goon Squad player Ryan Watson. “We needed better defense in the first half,” said Coach Dante of Goon Squad.

The defense was looking slow for the Goon Squad and they did not seem to be into it. The offensive side of the game for the team was not helping either with the team shooting under 50 percent. We Them Boys had a great offensive and defensive showing with them out rebounding Goon Squad. We Them Boys were shooting 39 percent from three and that was better than Goon Squad’s 15 percent. Watson put up 7 points and 3 rebounds, Chad Steinmetz had 12 points and 6 rebounds for the team and was the leading scorer on Goon Squad. James Johnson was the leading scorer on We Them Boys with 10 points 5 rebounds and 5 assists.

By GAVIN HERMAN
Flashlight Contributor

Sycamore Resident Assistant Keri Aldinger managed a movie showing of Love at First Glance at 8:00 PM on Valentine’s Day. The event was promoted by the Sycamore residence hall and took place in its ground floor multipurpose room from 8-10 p.m. Free drinks and snacks were supplied during the screening. Attendance for the event was minimal.

The two-hour romance tells the story of newspaper writer Mary Landers (played by Amy Smart) after her fiancé nullifies their engagement. When photojournalist James Fielding (played by Adrian Grenier) exchanges glances with Landers and loses his phone on a train, Landers is inspired to go on a journey of self discovery when she writes a story about Fielding and the meaning of love. A self-professed fan of Hallmark movies, Aldinger planned the event for couples with low funds that were interested in a free movie night. The event was also for single people who didn’t want to be alone for the holiday and wanted a social night out. “I’m really into

them, so I thought people might be interested as well,” Aldinger said.

Mike Stamp, Residence Director of Sycamore Hall, was also present at the party alongside Aldinger. Each residence director for Mansfield University is granted a budget that is divided between Resident Assistants (commonly six per residence hall). Funding was given to Aldinger for her film event when it was approved by the residence hall. Funding for the event was used exclusively for a wide variety of snacks and drinks including Twinkies, Cosmic Brownies, Snickers, and no-name brand soda. Snacks uneaten by viewers was given to students in Sycamore’s entrance hall.

A license to screen the film wasn’t needed. “We were allowed to show movies [shown on cable television] because of Public Performance. We don’t have the rights to screen, say, a DVD or Netflix,” Stamp said. This is not the only film-based event shown in Sycamore hall. Viewing parties for television shows such as Empire have been common in the past. Viewing parties for films such as Big Hero 6 also happened before concerns with copyright made future screenings prohibited.

Game of Thrones

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Young Frankenstein will be coming to Mansfield Stage

Mansfield University will present Young Frankenstein on March 2-5 at Straughn Hall. The Mel Brooks musical is based on the 1974 movie Young Frankenstein, written by Gene Wilder and Mel Brooks. Auditions were held at the end of the fall semester, giving students a chance to learn music and lines over winter break. Cast members include Robbie Flora (Music Education) as Frederick Frankenstein, Victoria Royal (History Education) as Inga, Jake Wilson (Music Technology) as Igor, Cassie Zinkan (Vocal Performance) as Elizabeth, Alex Taylor (Music Education and Vocal Performance) as Frau Blucher, Austin Boroch (Communications) as Inspector Kemp and Nick Duffy (Music Education) as The Monster.

The show will be directed by Professor Sheryl Monkeliën (music and stage) and

1993 MU graduate Peter Davis (technical and stage), with choreography by 2011 graduate Jocelyn Mullins.

The production has colorful, fun characters, memorable songs, and is just plain fun. It is rated PG-13 due to some suggestive material.

or a full cast list and more information on the production, including ordering tickets online, go to mansfield.edu/theatre/

Performances will be Thursday, March 2, Friday, March 3 and Saturday, March 4 at 7:30 p.m. and Sunday, March 5 at 2:30 p.m. Tickets are \$16 for adults, \$12 for seniors and students. They can be purchased online or at the door one hour before performances. MU students with valid ID will be admitted free. The production is funded in part through student activity fees.



Mansfield University joins Latin dance

By Alba Pardo Pascual
Flashlight Contributor

A Zumba fitness class taught by the instructor Marissa takes place every Tuesday from 7-8p.m. in Kelchner Fitness Center.

It is a class of Latin dances that you can join for free if you are students, staff, faculty, staff and faculty spouses, or community members that belong to Kelchner Fitness Center or by paying a \$7 per class fee if you are not KFC members.

“You can do a full body work out just having fun and dancing; it is the best way to burn calories,” Natalia, a student, said.

The class is not too crowded and composed of female students. Attending this class is as simple as picking up a bottle of water and a towel, because you do not need to sign up.

Zumba is a kind of workout that uses dance to exercise your body. It uses Latin rhythms like salsa, merengue, cumbia, reggaetón, and samba. It helps you to develop and strengthen your muscles as well as helps you with flexibility.

PSECU Increases Scholarship Support Fund for MU Students

The Pennsylvania State Employees Credit Union (PSECU) continued its support of Mansfield University students with a presentation of \$8,000 to the PSECU Scholarship Fund on February 6. That is an increase of \$4,500 from last year.

PSECU Director of University Development Mike Verotsky, PSECU University Development Manager Chris Rhine and Mansfield PSECU student intern Kortney Regis (Duke Center, PA) made the presentation to MU President Fran Hendricks.

PSECU has made an annual contribution to the fund since its campus branch was established in 2004. PSECU Scholarship recipients are returning students selected by the scholarship committee with preference given to credit union members.

“The scholarship support PSECU provides makes a real difference in our student’s lives,” Hendricks said. “Add to that the many events they sponsor on campus, plus providing banking services to our campus community, shows their commitment to Mansfield. Dave Sikorski and his team do a great job supporting our students, faculty and staff.”

PSECU sponsors and supports several events at Mansfield throughout the academic year, including the annual Light Up Mansfield Again (LUMA) festivities which celebrate Mansfield University’s participation in the nation’s first night football game. The PSECU e-Center is located in Manser Hall. The credit union also maintains an ATM in Alumni Hall.

Flash Fiction: Sailing Along Into Night Tails continued

By EVAN JOHNSON
Editor-In-Chief

Freddie wanted to know more about Monica. “So, you never answered my question.”

“What question was that?”

“You know what question, were you waiting for anyone in particular?”

“Yes.”

“Who?”

Monica was clearly avoiding answering Freddie’s question, so she asked him one. “Why are you driving on these roads and not the main roads?”

Freddie didn’t like that she didn’t respond to his question, but decided to ignore it for now. “I prefer the back roads; they are quieter. I like the quiet.”

“Everything you just said was a lie.”

“Uh... What? What are you talking about?”

Monica completely ignored his reply then she quickly changed the subject. “I

would like you to take the main roads. Let’s find a hotel for the night.”

Freddie looked at her with curiosity. “Are you paying? I can’t afford a hotel right now.”

“I’ll pay.” Monica took out a wad of \$100 bills hidden between her modestly hidden breasts.

Freddie was speechless. Who was she? Why was she hitchhiking when she had enough money to buy fifteen cars and ten more pearl necklaces?

“Despite your kind offer, I would prefer to keep driving for the night.”

“Fair enough, you’re the driver. But at least take the main roads, I hate the back roads.”

“If you hate back roads, then why were you standing out there? You’re dressed like you are meeting President Kennedy.”

“Get us to the main roads and I’ll tell you.”

With one sweaty hand, Freddie gripped the steering wheel extremely hard and gently rubbed his temple with the other. Why did she want him to go out onto the main roads so badly? Freddie wanted to know. “Why do you want to go onto the main roads, Monica?”

“To get a hotel.”

Freddie shook his head. “Not now, maybe later. I need to keep driving.”

“Why do you need to keep driving? It’s late and you’re clearly tired.”

“I told you that I have to get home for a funeral, and in case you didn’t know already, New York is on the opposite side of the country. I’m kind of on a time crunch.”

“Yeah, but that isn’t why you are taking the main roads.”

Freddie was suddenly filled with anger and slammed the brakes, pulled over to the shoulder of the road, then turned off the car. Monica casually placed her hand on the key that

was still in the ignition. Freddie didn’t see her do this.

Freddie let his anger take control of him. “How the f*** would you know? You don’t know anything about me.”

Monica remained silent and continued to stare ahead at the seemingly endless dirt road.

Freddie muttered under his breath, “B***h...”

Monica removed her hand from the key. Freddie never noticed she had touched the key. He briskly turned the key but the car stalled. He let go of the key then tried again, nothing. The car wouldn’t start.

Freddie turned to Monica. “Stay here, I’ll check it out.”

Monica nodded and Freddie quickly got out of the door then slammed the squeaky driver’s door behind him.

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Baseball drops season opener at King



Photo Courtesy of Gomouties

Luke Hils made seven starts on the mound in ten appearances in 2016

King rallied from one-run deficits in both games of a doubleheader to spoil Mansfield's 2017 season opener in Tennessee on Saturday.

The Mountaineers dropped game one 6-3 before being edged 2-1 in game two.

King (6-3, 0-0 Conference Carolinas) was first to get on the board in the second inning of the opener, taking a 1-0 lead on an RBI ground out. Mansfield (0-2, 0-0 PSAC East) responded by putting a pair of runners on in the top of the second with Colby Schearer singling to the pitcher and Taylor Hillson drawing a walk. Both scored on an error by the shortstop to give the Mounties a 2-1 advantage.

The Tornados responded with two runs of their own in the bottom of the frame to bring their lead back to two runs.

Peter Pena led-off the fourth with a double down the left field line and Wes Custer singled through the right side to put runners on the corners. Scott Rockwell drove a ball into right field that scored Pena, but Mansfield would strand a pair of runners trailing 4-3.

King added runs in the fourth and fifth increase its lead.

Mark Hendricks earned the win on the mound, going 4.3 innings with four hits and one earned run allowed. Mitch Stophel picked up the save.

Chase Pepper took the loss in his 2017 debut.

In game two, Mansfield struck first putting a run on the board in the top of the second with Jerry Chavarria scoring Custer with a sacrifice fly.

Mountaineer starting pitcher Luke Hils allowed just one hit through four scoreless innings of work. However, King scored the tying run in the fifth inning and pushed across the eventual game-winner in the sixth.

Hils allowed five hits and two earned runs while striking out three batters in a complete game effort.

King's Octavio Mirabal went the distance and struck out eight batters to earn his third win of the season.

Bloom rallies in Final Minutes to down Mounties 81-77



Photo Courtesy of Gomouties

Matt Tamanosky posted six double-doubles in 2016

Bloomsburg used a 10-0 run over the final two minutes of the game to pull out an 81-77 win over Mansfield in a critical PSAC East contest Wednesday evening on First Citizens Community Bank Court in Decker Gymnasium.

Mansfield trailed 71-67 with just over six minutes to play when the Mountaineers used a 10-0 run, started by a 3-pointer by Andreas Katopodis and ending with a Matt Tamanosky free throw, to take a 77-71 advantage with just over two minutes to play.

Seconds later, Bloomsburg's Christian Mortellite hit his ninth 3-pointer of the evening to close the gap to 77-74 and the Huskies would score the game's last seven points to lock up the victory.

A Cedrick Powell 3-pointer spun out

of the cylinder with forty seconds remaining and another 3-pointer by Katopodis rolled off the rim with four seconds on the clock.

Mansfield held a 35-26 rebounding advantage and turned the ball over just eight times but couldn't match Bloomsburg's 11-of-22 performance on 3-pointers.

Tamanosky recorded a double-double to lead the Mountaineers scoring 22 points and pulling down 15 rebounds. Malik Carter had 21 points while Jahyde Gardiner added 14 points.

Mortellite scored a career-high 39 points for Bloomsburg hitting 9-of-15 three-pointers while Carnell McGirt scored 14 points.

The loss drops Mansfield one-half a game behind Lock Haven and Millersville for the sixth and final playoff spot in the PSAC East.

Coming up in Mountaineer Sports

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24	25 Men and Women's Track and Field: Mountaineers vs. PSAC Indoor Championships All Day	26 Baseball: Mountaineers vs. Assumption College 10:00a.m. Baseball: Mountaineers vs. Assumption College 12:00p.m.	27	28	1	2
3 Men and Women's Track and Field: Mountaineers vs. IC4A Indoor Championships All Day	4 Softball: Mountaineers vs. Fairmont State University 11:00a.m. Softball: Mountaineers vs. Chowan University 11:00a.m.	5 Softball: Mountaineers vs. Queens University of Charlotte 10:00a.m.	6	7	8	9

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By **EMMA LYNCH**
Staff Writer

Administration at Mansfield University has announced a plan to consolidate classes and departments by focusing on renovating or demolishing several buildings on campus.

Every year, \$65 million in state money is earmarked for use as construction funding at state universities. The decision as to how much money is given to each school and which schools actually get money is based on need. Several years ago, \$4.5 million was earmarked for Mansfield University to build a new Morris Drive that would bypass "Cardiac Hill." The new plan will redirect that money toward consolidating Mansfield's operational costs by renovating and demolishing underutilized or obsolete buildings.

Doane, Pinecrest, Elliott, Laurel, and possibly Maple will all be affected. Laurel will be renovated and repurposed. The other three, possibly four, buildings will be demolished.

The idea to switch projects from Morris Drive to renovations originated with the university facility office. Despite being earmarked several years ago the Morris Drive project did not go through until recently. "How can we do things smarter and more effectively?" President Fran Hendricks asked the facilities office.

The renovations and demolitions were already in the 2016 Campus Master Plan but were not set to start for several years. The facilities office realized that, by moving those projects up and pushing back the Morris Drive project, the university would benefit.

The benefits are numerous;

the consolidation of operations will save the university over a million dollars annually. Most of that money currently goes towards maintenance, heating, cooling, etc. in those buildings even though two of them are not currently in use.

Another reason why this plan will financially benefit the university is quite simple: PASSHE. Each year PASSHE grades all public universities based on performance. More buildings with lower utilization scores means less money for the university from PASSHE.

"Our main goal is to fit the needs of students, to benefit all [of them]," Hendricks said. "It may not be easy [but] it will save us money that we can use elsewhere for our students." Even though enrollment has increased over the past year and continues to be on an upward trend it is no secret that Mansfield University no longer has as many students as it used to. As a result many of the buildings have classrooms that are rarely used. Despite those classrooms being underutilized they still need maintenance, heating, and cooling. That cost currently outweighs the benefits of its use.

With the completion of the new dorms buildings (Oak, Hickory, Spruce, and Sycamore), the old dorm buildings are no longer needed. Currently, Maple and Laurel are not in use, while Pinecrest and Doane house professors' offices, the mail center, the campus housing office, a print room, and the campus police. These offices will all be moved but will not lose any space.

"We want to do space for space," Hendricks said. "No one will lose any space that they have in their office currently."

President Hendricks also stated that this project will give the university more green space, giving students, faculty, and staff a greater area for activities. It will also be slightly flatter which will make some recreational activities easier and more desirable. There is also a possibility for an entryway.

"Mansfield doesn't really have an entrance right now," Hendricks said. "People have passed right by it and had to turn around. [This plan] will give Mansfield an actual entrance to campus." The master plan has a project for this as well, showing an archway where Elliott currently sits.

Not all students are looking forward to these changes though.

"When I came [here] for orientation I was told that Elliott was supposed to face out towards the town to welcome the new students," Alana Young, a senior music major (business management minor), said. "I feel like, if they tear Elliott down, it would take away the symbolism."

Other concerns focused mainly on how this plan would work when it came to moving departments. "Are we going to overload a building with classes?" Eric Locey, a senior Computer Information Systems major, asked. "My belief is that, if we do demolish Elliott, we will need to reorganize other buildings that might already be overrun with departments. Also, where will the State Farm lab go? That lab is basically the lounge for CS/CIS students and it was donated to us by State Farm. How are we going to integrate it into another building?"

Currently, Elliott houses the nursing, nutrition, computer sciences, business, accounting, and mathematics departments. No specifics as to how or where these

departments will be moved have been decided upon yet, although President Hendricks did reiterate that the main focus was the students. His hope is that there is not a huge impact on the campus while construction is ongoing. The goal is to build new and then move offices and departments with the idea of creating as little disruption as possible.

The university has a long history of renovations and repurposing buildings. Pinecrest and North Hall Library used to be dormitories, Elliott used to be the music building and then the home economics building. Grant Science Center recently underwent renovations and Straughn Auditorium renovations were completed within the last year. The current South Hall is actually the third iteration of the building, the original was built in the 1800s.

This project is one of many that can be found in the Master Plan, which plans out projects and changes for the next twenty to twenty-five years. These changes are seen by administration as beneficial to the campus as a whole, but they still acknowledge that change is hard. "I was one of the first RAs in Cedarcrest," Hendricks said. "I know there is going to be emotional attachment to these buildings. Losing anything you called home [is hard]." Hendricks also stated that there will most likely be an offer to those students and faculty to take a piece of the building home.

There is no guarantee of how far the \$4.5 million will go but direct responsibility for overseeing construction falls with the facilities office, who will also have to keep President Hendricks and the Vice President for Finance informed.

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Campus Bulletin Board

Chili & Chocolate March 10 4:30 - 7:00pm at the Benjamin Patterson Inn
59 W. Pulteney St. Corning (607)-937-5281

Student Activities Office Presents a Bus Trip to Washington, D.C. Saturday March 25. Tickets \$17 in the bookstore

Shara McCallum Mad Woman A Poetry Reading March 23 317 Alumni Hall 12:00pm. Free and open to the public

A Johnny Cash Tribute Terry Lee Goffee & His Band Saturday April 8 7:30pm Straughn Auditorium MU Students - \$10 12 & Under - \$5

Call for Art 2017 Student Exhibition 2D, 3D, and Graphic Design entry fees: \$5 for 1 entry, \$8 for 2 entires, 3 for \$10

John Rodrigues painter “Balance” March 20-April 14 Painting Workshop: Wednesday, March 29 1:00 - 3:00pm Reception & Artist’s talk: 4:00pm Loomis Gallery Allen Hall

POLICE BEAT

- **Anyone with information on any these events are encouraged to contact the Mansfield University Police at 570-439-4900 -**

3/9/17 - At 2:30am University Police Officer on routine patrol came across suspected damage to campus property caused by a motor vehicle. A subsequent investigation determined that, a current student, Christopher Wright had caused the damage while operating a 2006 Ford convertible that he had been operating northbound along Morris Drive. Upon approaching the intersection, Wright lost control of the vehicle when it skidding on snow and ice on the roadway surface, causing the vehicle to continue over the curb and into and landscaped area of the traffic island

at that location. Attempts to free the vehicle caused damage to the turf and landscaping. Wright was cited for failing to drive a vehicle at a safe speed.

3/1/17 - At 9:43pm, on 2/21/217, during the course of a fire alarm drill university staff members discovered suspected marijuana in a second floor room of Oak dormitory. Police were called to the scene and recovered suspected marijuana from the apartment. Charges were filed with district court against Natasha Scott. She will be referred to campus judicial.

2/28/17 - At 6:26am, Tioga County 911 contacted this station that a person was in Hickory on the 4th floor knocking on doors asking for help. After searching the 4th floor, Taylor Sweeney was located on the 3rd floor intoxicated and admitted to knocking on the doors. Taylor was cited for underage consumption and Judicially referred.

World News

Headlines from across the planet

Blurbs courtesy of cnn.com



3/8/17 - Gunmen dressed as medical personnel attack Kabul hospital
- More than 30 people killed and at least 50 others injured.
-Attackers dressed in medical uniforms set off bombs before storming the hospital

3/8/17 - Kim Jong Nam’s son appears for first time since his father’s murder
- Kim Han Sol has not lived in North Korea since he was very young
-He attended elite schools in Bosnia and France

3/8/17 - US and North Korea set for ‘head-on collision’, China warns
-China tells US and North Korea to strike a deal to end the nuclear standoff
-US Secretary of State Rex Tillerson due to visit the region from March 15

3/8/17 - The Christians fleeing their homes after ISIS attacks in Egypt
-Egypt’s Christians are the largest minority group in the country
-Al Wilayat Sinai, a local affiliate of ISIS, appears to be targeting Christian families in the North Sinai peninsula

3/7/17 - Ex-Panamanian dictator Manuel Noriega in coma after surgery
-Noriega experienced severe brain hemorrhaging, lawyer says
-The former dictator will be kept in a medically induced coma for five days

3/8/17 - Poachers kill rare giant tusker elephant in Kenya
-Satao II was killed by poachers
-He was one of 30 tuskers left in Africa, conservationists say
-Park rangers detained two alleged poachers

3/8/17 - Skier dies in avalanche at French resort

-Three Dutch nationals were skiing off-piste when they got lost, a tourism officer said
-Snowy conditions and the risk of more avalanches have hampered rescue efforts

3/8/17 - Boy finds WWII plane with pilot’s remains in cockpit
-”It was like opening a book from yesterday,” the teen-ager’s father said
-A wallet, three condoms and some ID papers were found with the remains
3/8/17 - International Women’s Day: Rallies for equal rights take place around world

-Only 50% of working age women are represented in the labor force globally, UN says
-“A Day Without a Woman” strike encourages women to take day off work
-Irish abortion rights activists wear black in a day of action dubbed “Strike 4 Repeal”

3/8/17 -Russian Revolution: An awkward moment for Putin 100 years on
-Russian Revolution began on International Women’s Day in 1917
-A liberal government ruled for 8 months before Communism took hold

3/8/16 - Could banana plants solve India’s sanitary pad problem?
-Many women in India lack access to proper feminine hygiene products
-Sanitary pads can be too expensive for poorer women to afford

3/8/17 - Rwanda Rugby: Sport helps heal wounds in ‘Land of a Thousand Hills’
-Rugby is helping to heal in Rwanda
-Post-genocide, game has played a key role
-Brit volunteer helped bring the game there

Organization of the week: International Student Exchange Program

United Methodist Church holds free dinner on Mansfield University campus

By CJ Moran
Staff Writer

From Canada to Botswana to Scotland, Mansfield’s study abroad program offers opportunities to go around the world, often for about the same or less than what students pay for a normal year or semester here. Mansfield’s study abroad program is headed by Dr. Monique Oyallon, and with her connection, students can go nearly anywhere (within reason). However, Dr. Oyallon typically goes through an organization, ISEP (International Student Exchange Program), for the exchanges. ISEP has agreements with fifty-six countries. For exchanges going through ISEP, there are two deadlines per year - one for the fall semester and one for the spring semester. However, students are not limited to only one semester, as there are many full year opportunities. Additionally, there are summer programs, which last from two to seven weeks. The summer programs have varying costs, though they are usually in the range of \$3,000 to \$6,000, plus travel fees. The summer programs’ deadlines are in March/April.

Both the ISEP programs and the

direct exchange programs offered by Mansfield have programs taught in English, but it depends on the country. Most countries teach courses to their natives on English, so it is common to only have a recommendation that students learn the language, not a necessity. Despite this, certain programs require a basic knowledge of the country’s language.

Another point to keep in mind is that through ISEP, it is not guaranteed that each student’s first choice will be the place that accepts them. Instead, when the student applies, he or she must choose multiple schools. After application, the student is placed and must wait for the host university to respond. Once they confirm, the student accepts his or her placement and prepares for their time abroad.

Dr. Oyallon recommends that students go their junior year, but can probably figure out a way to make the trip feasible in their sophomore or senior year. The program is not available to first year students. Dr. Oyallon recommends that students seriously think about studying abroad at least a year in advance.

By Satiecka Walker
Staff Writer

There was a free campus dinner at the United Methodist Church in Mansfield on March 7 from 5:30-6:30pm.

Pastor Tim Parker hosted the Campus Dinner as an outreach event at the United Methodist Church in Mansfield for students to meet local churches in the area and to connect with the community from a spiritual standpoint.

According to Tim parker the Pastor of Mansfield University Campus ministries, United Methodist Church in Mains Burg, and Rose Ville there have been Campus Dinners at the United Methodist Church in Mansfield since the spring of 2016.

After talking to Tim the Campus Dinners are used as an outreach event for the campus community. The purpose is to get students out of their shell and connect with local churches that host dinners throughout the semester. The churches that attend the dinners talk to the students about their academic experiences while giving a spiritual view of how to handle the obstacles that college may

bring while being away from home. The outreach dinners are to comfort students and build relations in the community that can bridge the gap of students only having a campus life. Tim believes it’s good to have a home cooked meal with a word of encouragement.

In the past the international students of Mansfield University have been able to come to the dinners and exchange cultural views with the community while obtaining other outlooks of spiritualities. There have been community clean up’s done by students just but linking with members from the outreach dinners. Pastor Tim’s long term vision of the outreach dinners are to collaborate United Campus Ministries and community Church’s so people have a spiritual base while working with the community to help where needed. Tim believes there are opportunities for students and members of the community to help each other while learning to work together.

March 21, 2017 there will be another Campus Dinner at United Methodist Church at 5:30 - 6:30pm.

CAMPUS EVENTS CALENDAR						
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MU organizes Crafternoons at Night in residence halls

By ALBA PARDO PASCUALA
Flashlight Contributor

Mansfield University organizes every week a leisure activity called “Crafternoons at Night.” The people in charge of “Crafternoons at Night” are resident assistants Edward Garcia, Larissa Bernecker and Heaven Cole.

“The activity changes from week to week depending on our moods and who is facilitating the event. The facilitator chooses the activity and we all work together to make it happen,” Heaven Coles said.

This week, the activity is called “Galaxy in a Bottle” in Spruce. It consists of taking recycled plastic bottles and filling them with small amounts of water at a time, coloring them with food dye, and then adding cotton balls to absorb the colors to create a wispy texture.

“Crafternoons at Night” was an original idea inspired by the

Internet. When they started running this program, Crafternoons was already a theme in Mansfield University; they just added “at night” to the name.

“Last year, Edward Garcia (Ted) and I began our first year as resident assistants. Crafternoons was already a theme in Spruce, but Ted and I did not have time during the day or afternoon to run the program. But we did have time in the evening. Falling back on some Spongebob Squarepants humor, we chose to rename the theme “Crafternoons at Night” because we only had time to run the program at night,” Heaven Coles said.

This program has been in Mansfield University for some years and has had success. Last year, the RAs facilitated six “Crafternoons at Night” programs a semester, and this year, they have already facilitated nine activities last semester and will be doing so again this semester.

PSECU holds trip to Rochester lacrosse game

By FRANZ ELLY
Flashlight Contributor

Sixteen Mansfield students went to the Rochester Knighthawks vs. the Buffalo Bandits lacrosse game at Blue Cross Arena in Rochester, NY.

On March 4, 2017 at Blue Cross Arena the Rochester Knighthawks vs. the Buffalo Bandits lacrosse game was held. PSECU hosted a trip to the lacrosse game having tickets available for Mansfield students to purchase starting on January 20.

Each ticket also included a spending limit of eighteen dollars

for dinner after the game at Dinosaur Bar-B-Que.

The game ended with the Rochester Knighthawks winning the game 9-8. “The game had some interesting times. Dan Dawson had a hat trick, they [Rochester Knighthawks] won the game 9 to 8 in overtime, and the goal that tied the game was made by Rochester with 0.2 seconds left in the 4th quarter.” Sarah Beitler said.

After the game the students went to dinner at Dinosaur Bar-B-Que in Rochester, NY where they had various barbequed foods before heading back onto the buses to return Mansfield that night.

Young Frankenstein production premieres at Straughn Auditorium

By GAVIN HERMAN and TYLER KRASANI
Flashlight Contributor

Mansfield University’s Production of Young Frankenstein was open to the public from March 2-5. The show performed at 7:30 p.m. every night with a Sunday matinee performance at 2:30 p.m. Dr. Sheryl Monkelién (Musical Director and Conductor) and Peter Davis (Technical Director) co-directed the show together. Jocelyn Mullins and Ericka Vangorden choreographed the musical numbers.

The musical, adapted from the Mel Brooks film of the same name, tells the story of Frederick Frankenstein the grandson of the infamous Dr. Frankenstein (Jacob Meyers). Frederick (Robert Flora) goes to Transylvania to settle his grandfather’s estate, where he’s persuaded to continue his grandfather’s experiments.

He is assisted by Igor (Jake Wilson), Inga (Victoria Royal) and

housekeeper Frau Blucher (Alexandra Taylor). He then brings a hulking monster (Nicholas J. Duffy) to life, terrorizing the populace of Transylvania.

Other notable characters include Inspector Kemp (Austin Buroch), Elizabeth (Cassie Zinkan), Mr. Hilltop (Donavan Darienzo), Dracula (Nathan Shedd) and The Hermit (Eli Sauls).

This is Robert Flora’s first major role in a Mansfield University musical theater performance. His previous role with the school was playing Warden Frank in Mansfield University’s production of the opera Die Fledermaus. “It was a completely positive experience with amazing people to share each unforgettable moment with. [It taught me] how to most efficiently work with other students while keeping a good attitude and stress low,” Flora said.

Audience reaction was generally positive. “I knew what to expect since my girlfriend was part

of the chorus, but when I saw it for the first time I could not stop laughing!” Robert Bradley, an attendee said. Not everyone was fond by the show’s risque content, however. “Some people just walked out of the show on Thursday after the jokes got sexual, I think they had not prepared themselves for what Young Frankenstein was all about,” Attendee Samantha Muscella said.

Young Frankenstein’s cast was very happy with the audience. “I thought the crowds were relatively sizable and emoted their enjoyment with the show” Robert Flora said. Notable attendees include Basketball coach Pat Zipfel. “I believe our job (as a coaching staff) is to educate the whole person and not just on the court. I will never walk past Steadman or Straughn Auditorium and not remember the show. It was that good,” Zipfel said.

Tickets were free for Mansfield University Students, while tickets for the public cost \$16 for adults and \$12 for seniors and students.

Letter to the Editor: Regarding AP Story

In response to the article in the Williamsport Sun-Gazette on February 26, and what I consider to be an irresponsible sensationalizing of the topic and suggesting a certain conclusion of the pending State System study, I offer the following retort.

In testimony by PASSHE Chancellor Frank T. Brogan and other leaders of the State System to the House and Senate appropriations committees on February 23, a strong case was made for increased investment in Mansfield and the 13 other state-owned universities in the proposed 2017-18 Commonwealth budget. I was there. I wanted all to know Mansfield was present.

The chancellor’s testimony focused largely on the status of the State System and the contributions each of its universities makes to Commonwealth. Certain questions and comments fueled more speculation about the future of PASSHE (and MU) in regards to the comprehensive study of all 14 PASSHE universities announced last month by the chancellor. At no time during the hearings was Mansfield mentioned as being among universities facing closure. As I stated last month after the chancellor’s State of the System address, in which he reacquainted everyone with the pending study, and I continue to

state...at Mansfield, we welcome this strategic review.

In 2013 we published a White Paper calling for a similar review. Since that date, we published our MU2020 Strategic Plan which sets the direction for Mansfield and clearly states student success as our primary objective.

We recognized early on the ongoing challenges higher education faces both in Pennsylvania and nationally. We documented the need for change within our System using ourselves as an example. We also saw the necessity and seized on the opportunity to carve out our own niche. That niche for Mansfield is to be Pennsylvania’s premier public liberal arts school.

As such, Mansfield offers students an affordable option to the similarly sized and more costly private liberal arts colleges within the state. Our record of academic excellence and the Mansfield experience positions us well for this role. Ever innovative, we were the first and only school in the state to freeze tuition and room for its students, providing predictability to the cost of attendance. Again, MU is putting its students first.

This System-wide review will undoubtedly also document the challenges we have and will continue to face. There is no denying that our enroll-

ment has declined since 2009. What is not included in Sunday’s article, is that as of fall 2016 that tide is beginning to change — MU’s vision and innovations are taking hold. Fall 2016 new student enrollment surpassed the fall enrollment of new students for each of the prior two years. Projections for fall 2017 show the trend of increased new enrollment continuing.

Again, we welcome the State System study. It provides each of us the opportunity to tell the Mansfield story. To share why Mansfield is a difference maker in lives of its students and the nation they will serve. As Alums, each of us knows the power and impact of our Mansfield education—the difference it made in our lives. Speaking from the heart, I am forever grateful for what she did for me. For 160 years Mansfield has changed the trajectory of lives. She is poised and positioned to continue to do the same for the students of today and tomorrow. As a proud alum and president, I ask each of you to join in and state emphatically through words and deeds, THIS IS OUR UNIVERSITY AND WE ARE THE MASTERS OF ITS DESTINY! Here to Serve (H2S), Fran Hendricks President Mansfield University of Pennsylvania

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Guest editorial: Some PA state colleges in danger of closing



By **MARC LEVY**
Associated Press

In the coming months, some of the schools in Pennsylvania's 14-university system of higher education may get pink slips.

Dropping post-recession enrollments, financial struggles at some system schools and unwillingness by the state to come to the rescue is driving an exploration that could result in recommendations that some of the schools shut their doors.

Such closings are relatively unheard of among state university systems, although they may become more common amid dropping higher education enrollments nationwide and state aid languishing below pre-recession levels.

In Pennsylvania, closing universities has the potential to become a hot issue. The universities date back more than a century, drive local economies and carry a mission to provide low-cost education.

"A lot of that town is based on that school being there," Sen. Randy Vulakovich, R-Allegheny, said of struggling Clarion University during a two-hour Appropriations Committee hearing Thursday with state system officials. "What if you close Clarion? Everything revolves around that campus."

Pennsylvania State System of Higher Education officials plan in the coming weeks to hire a consultant to give recommendations that could include consolidating degree programs, revamping marketing and shuttering schools.

Such struggles are being felt across the Rust Belt and Northeast, said Thomas Harnisch of the American Association of State Colleges and Universities, but also in Kansas, where dropping enrollments are spurring a search for ways to get more high school graduates to stay in-state. In Georgia, the

state university system is pursuing a five-year plan to merge eight public colleges into four following cuts in state aid.

Pennsylvania's university system is suffering from dropping in-state high school graduations, a result of fewer school-age youth, and similarly deep cuts in state aid over the past eight years. The system is also at a disadvantage with many campuses in relatively rural areas trying to compete with urban powerhouses such as Temple University or the University of Pittsburgh, or Penn State and its satellite campuses.

Through hours of testimony before the House and Senate appropriations committees Thursday, system Chancellor Frank Brogan told lawmakers that the network of schools must undergo changes to improve its long-term viability and financial stability.

State university system's future focus of Senate budget hearing

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That could put a target on the backs of some of Pennsylvania's more rural and smaller universities where enrollments are dropping the most, including Mansfield, Edinboro and Clarion, as well as the nation's first historically black college, Cheyney University, in suburban Philadelphia.

Overall, the system's enrollment is down 5 percent over the last decade to 104,000, but 12 percent since enrollment peaked in 2010. Only West Chester University in growing Chester County has seen rising enrollment since the peak, with an eye-popping 17 percent growth. Cheyney has lost more than half its student body, Mansfield has lost more than one-third and Clarion and Edinboro weren't far behind.

In several years since then, state aid was down as much as 20 percent from its 2008-09 peak, and remains at 1999 levels. It is a dramatic change for a system that began in 1983 with the state footing two-thirds of the university budgets. Now, the state provides a quarter of university budgets, with the rest from tuition and fees. In the last eight years alone, the average cost to attend a system school has risen 50 percent, according to an analysis of system figures.

Republican lawmakers asked pointed questions Thursday about the systems' costs of employee salaries and benefits. Sen. Gene Yaw, R-Lycoming, suggested that hiring a consultant was simply delaying tough decisions about the size of the system.

"I think you know what needs to be done," Yaw told Brogan, who previously served as chancellor of the State University System of Florida.

Still, Democrats defended the mission of the schools as too important to downsize, and Sen. Vincent Hughes, D-Philadelphia, blamed the system's struggles on stingy state budgeting.

"When we stop investing the money, the students don't come," Hughes told Brogan. "When we invest the money, students attend."

Afterward, the president of the state universities' faculty union, Ken Mash, warned that the state risks abandoning the mission of boosting the upward mobility of Pennsylvanians of modest means.

"If we're talking about closing them down or consolidating, what harm are we doing to students?" Mash asked. "Why are we treating this generation differently than the ones that came before?"

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Saxophone Studio held Jazz Enactus Hydroponic Greenhouse funded by Papa V's

Styles Spring recital

By TYLER KRASANI
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This past Sunday, February 26, 2017, the Saxophone Studio group held their spring recital called Jazz Styles.

The nine students each played one song while accompanied by a backing track. Mikaela “Cuban” Brown opened the recital playing manteca by Dizzy Gillespie on the alto sax. Following Mikaela was Megan “Skylark” Gullone playing Skylark by Hoagy Carmichael on the tenor sax.

After Megan, “Cha Cha” Lance Welch played Forest Flower by Charles Lloyd on the tenor sax. “I’m a real Charles Lloyd fan, and I really liked his interpretation of the song,” Lance said, when asked why he chose Forest Flower as his piece. Following Lance was “Modal” Lizzie Stiadle, who played Cantaloupe Island by Herbie Hancock on the alto sax.

After Lizzie, Steve “Cajon” Backenstoos played South of the Waltz, by Paquito

d’Rivera, on the tenor sax. Next up was Alyx “Smoothenstock” Blumenstock, who played the classic My Heart Will Go On, from Titanic, on the soprano sax. “I really wanted to get more experience on soprano, it’s tough to master and I’m not anywhere close to mastery, but it was a step in the right direction, plus what saxophonist doesn’t love Kenny G?” Alyx said.

The show ended with Richard “Bossa Nova” Pollock playing Girl from Ipanema by Antonio Carlos Jobim on tenor sax. He was accompanied by vocalist Tayana Woodton, who, as a music performance major, was familiar with the piece was willing to sing it again. “Since the theme was jazz styles, we all had to pick from a different style. I chose the bossa nova style because I enjoy that, and [I] was already familiar with Girl from Ipanema,” Richard said.

By MICHAEL GLASSER
Flashlight Contributor

Enactus held a fundraiser at Papa V’s on February 22 to help cover the cost of their new hydroponic greenhouse.

Enactus, ran a fundraiser in conjunction with Papa V’s Pizzeria on Main Street in order to raise funds for their current project. For eight dollars, the community was able to get all you can eat cheese pizza at Papa V’s from 4pm to 9pm while the members of Enactus served the food to Papa V’s customers.

“We created this fundraiser to help with offset some of the costs of the hydroponic greenhouse that we are building on campus. We ended up raising 120 dollars to help with our project,” said Emily Shaffer, a member of Enactus that put together the fundraiser.

“Our plan this year was to create a hydroponic greenhouse so that we can grow a variety of crops which we intend to donate to local food banks. With the help of Mansfield University’s new Hydroponics Club, which

meets on Wednesdays at 4:00 pm in Grant G40, we currently have three different types of hydroponics system set up in our grow room; two deep water hydroponic systems, a wick system and we are currently constructing a nutrient film technique system. Our first rotation of crops should be done growing in April,” said Duncan Espenshade, the project manager for Enactus.

Enactus is a national organization that focuses on entrepreneurship as a means to improve human progress. At the end of March, Enactus will be holding a national competition where each school will give a presentation on the project that they worked on over the course of the year.

This event also gives students the opportunity to hand out their resume to hundreds of companies that are seeking innovative entrepreneurs. For more information on what is going on with Enactus, you can follow their Facebook page or attend one of their meeting in Elliot 116 at 11:30 am on Thursdays.

Flash Fiction: Sailing Along Into Night Tales continued

By EVAN JOHNSON
Editor-in-Chief

He walked over to the hood and opened it. “Sh**, I can’t see anything.” He walked over to the passenger’s door and signaled for Monica to roll it down. “Could you hand me the flashlight underneath your seat?”

Monica reached down then handed him the rusted flashlight. Freddie yanked it out of her hand and switched it on. Suddenly, the dirt road was filled with the dim flickering light from the flashlight. Freddie walked over to the front of the car and shone the dim glow onto the old engine. It looked fine, so Freddie turned around and got back into the car, but the engine still didn’t start. Freddie sighed and looked at Monica. “It looks like you are going to get your wish; we have to find someone to tow my car, which means we’ll have to walk to the main roads.”

Monica smiled but said nothing in response. The two of them got out of the car and Freddie took his beaten stained suitcase from the torn backseat. They used the dim beam of the flashlight and began walking. After a few minutes, he realized that no place would be open that late at night, and he looked at Monica with disappointment. “Monica, I just realized that every place that could fix my car is probably closed. We’re gonna have to sleep in my car and walk when there is daylight.” Monica nodded and they retraced their path

to the car. Freddie didn’t say it but he was glad that he wouldn’t be going into town. When they reached Freddie’s car and got inside, he briskly tossed his suitcase into the back seat then rolled down his shaky window to let in some fresh air. It was quiet that night, as if Freddie and Monica were alone in the entire world. Freddie didn’t look at Monica when he spoke to her. “Why were you crying when I picked you up?”

“You don’t want to hear about my problems.” “Maybe I don’t but it helps to talk, or so I’ve been told. So, what’s wrong?” Monica paused before she spoke in a whisper. “My son.”

Freddie was surprised by Monica’s willingness to talk and that she didn’t avoid the question. “If you don’t mind me asking, what’s wrong with him? We have at least the night to get to know each other.” Monica sighed before she spoke with barely noticeable flushed cheeks. “He has a serious problem and I don’t know how to confront him about it. It’s as if he does the opposite of what I want and it breaks my heart, but I can’t work up the courage to tell him.”

“You’re not really answering my question. What type of problem does he have?”

Monica looked up at the chipped ceiling of the car as she spoke. “He parties too much.” Monica quickly aimed her gaze at Freddie. “Drinking to be specific. He has drinking problems and I don’t know how to

talk to him about it.” Monica suddenly got out of the car and gently closed the door behind her. For some reason unknown to Freddie, she decided to sit on the ground in front of the car. Freddie suddenly felt responsible for her and her reaction, so he instinctively got out of the car. He approached her and looked at her as she sat in the dirt in her beautiful white dress. “Do you mind if I sit?” Freddie asked.

Monica shook her head and Freddie slowly sat down next to her, being careful not to get too close. The two of them just stared into the darkness in front of them for almost thirty minutes in silence. Freddie didn’t know why, but being around Monica made him not care about the quiet. Usually, silence bothered him no matter who he was with. He turned to Monica, who continued staring into the night. “I have an idea.”

Monica turned her head and looked into Freddie’s eyes. “What?” “Talk to me like I’m your son, give me the advice you want to give your son. So, you can prepare yourself to work up the courage to talk to him.”

Monica seemed delighted at the idea. “Perfect.”

Freddie was surprised by her enthusiasm. “Good, begin whenever you are ready.”

Monica’s face became stern but comforting as she spoke. “Life is meant to be lived and treated with care, not poison, and that’s what you are doing. You are poisoning your life with your drinking. I know that you have

stopped for now and are avoiding temptation, but you can’t avoid it forever. Temptation will always be there, in one way or another. The key is to accept the temptation, but not give in to it. Light eventually shines through no matter how much you hide in the dark. Give in to the light.”

Freddie spoke as if she was speaking to him, and it wasn’t a practice anymore. “What light?”

Monica smiled and put her steady hand on his chest. “The light of life, the proper life. Improper life is always dark and that is where you are living now, in the dark.” Monica paused to let her words sink in, as tears formed in Freddie’s eyes. Then Monica continued to speak. “Embrace the light, don’t hide in the darkness.”

Monica slowly removed her hand from Freddie’s chest. He wiped away the tears from his eyes and cleared his throat. He slowly stood up and reached out his hand to help Monica stand up. She gently gripped his cracked hands and he noticed how smooth her hands were. Freddie wiped the dirt from his pants and as he looked over at Monica, he noticed that her dress was completely clean. It was as if she never touched the dirt.

To be continued...

Photography Club entices prospective members MU film event spreads the word about conservation

By KORTNEY REGIS
Flashlight Contributor

The Photography Club served cookies and hot cocoa to entice new members to attend the club's first meeting. "You don't have to have a camera, nor do you have to be an art major to join," Abby Dolan, President of the Photography Club, said.

Hoping to draw in more members, the Photography Club supplied cookies, hot cocoa, and chocolate to students who have a passion for pictures. Dolan introduced the club and discussed plans and activities the club was hoping to participate in during the semester to get the club known on campus.

The club hopes to set up a photo booth on campus, which would provide different props to pose with. Students would have the option to purchase eight photos for five dollars. Profit would go toward maintaining the photo booth and supplies.

The club has also found community service opportunities that they plan to take engage. First on the list is cleaning the local CVS parking lot.

Along with the discussion of semester activities, the officers took attendees on a photography tour of the University.

The resulting pictures were printed and posted on the Photography Club bulletin board on the second floor of Allen Hall. "We are trying to build more involvement within the club since we had to revamp it," Martha Campbell, advisor to the Photography Club, said.

Thursday was the first time the club has met in quite some time due to the lack of officers and commitment.

With the help of advisors Martha Campbell and Robert Maris, the club is now meeting on a weekly basis and becoming involved with the campus. The club's goals are to learn more about photography, including working in a dark room. They will also provide lessons about cameras.

The first meeting was Thursday, February 23, at 11:30 a.m. in Allen Hall Room 123. The club will meet there every Thursday, same time, for the rest of the semester. They will be posting their agenda on their Facebook page Photography Club.

Art students and professors travel to Baltimore

By ELLY FRANZ
Flashlight Contributor

Art Department students go to Baltimore to visit the American Craft Show. On February 22, 2017 twenty-three students and two professors arrived in Baltimore a day before they went to where the American Craft Show was being held.

"The trip was held to gain insight into the professional art field, focusing on setting up booths and selling your work. We had a chance to see what it was like for an artist to own their own business and sell their products and artwork," Anna Nelson said. "It was a really fun learning experience,"

The students got a chance to look at the art and the artist's setup a day before the actual event. They had a chance to meet with both a professor at Mansfield that was having his art shown there, Alan Bennett, as well as the head of the American Craft Show.

The students were able to roam around after meeting them and look at the artwork but had a task to find three things, a booth with artwork they liked the most, a booth with the best setup for their art, and an artist's company that had the best font for their product.

After finishing the task they had the chance to get lunch then explore the Inner Harbor of Baltimore. They left Baltimore later that night to return to Mansfield.

By EMMA LYNCH
Staff Writer

The Institute of Science and the Environment at Mansfield University hosted a Pennsylvania Forestry Films event on Thursday, February, 23.

The two films were thirty minutes each and looked into the conservation work of two of the earliest conservationists in Pennsylvania's history; Myra Lloyd Dock and Gifford Pinchot.

Pinchot served as both the first Chief of the United States Forest Service until he was fired in 1910 and as the governor of Pennsylvania from 1923 to 1927 and 1931 to 1935. He also created and implemented the Civilian Conservation Core in Pennsylvania which eventually led to a nationwide adoption of the program. Although he did an extensive amount of work in politics and for society he is mainly remembered as a father of conservation and forestry.

Dock has many similarities to Pinchot although, in some ways, her efforts are considered by many more remarkable because she was the first woman in this state to hold a public office, serving on the State Forest Reservation Commission for twelve years before retiring. Her beginnings in conservation didn't begin by working as a forester, like Pinchot, but by working on a project to beautify Harrisburg. Despite all of her hard work in preserving forests, teaching future foresters, and beautifying our state capitol Dock is not nearly as well remembered as Pinchot is.

Both Renee Carey, of the Northcentral Pennsylvania Conservatory, and Roy Siefert, a member of the Pennsylvania Forestry Association, commented during the discussion following the films that neither of them had heard of Dock until recently.

Dr. Susan Rimby, the Dean of Liberal Arts and Education at Lock Haven University, however, is an author who published a biography of Dock after discovering the family while researching her dissertation.

"Originally I was going to [study] Lavinia but Mira looked more interesting," Rimby said.

Lilace Guignard, the Director of the Institute opened the presentation with a brief talk about what the films were going to show the audience, reminding everyone that there was going to be a discussion period afterwards, and introducing Carey, Rimby, and Siefert. The three facilitators were there to help answer questions and further the discussion on past and current conservation efforts, while also talking about what everyone can do for a better future.

"We can't think about tomorrow without thinking about the past," Guignard said. These were the first in the Speakers of Tomorrow Series hosted by the Institute. Guignard chose Dock and Pinchot because they were conservationists but also did work in politics and on social platforms. She knew of them previously and hoped that their work in multiple aspects of everyday life would appeal to more than just the scientists on campus.

"We take everything around us for granted [and the forests] haven't always been this way," Alexis Weber, a junior environmental biology major, said. Weber also stated that, while she looked up to Pinchot before the event, these films have inspired her to more with her degree.

Currently no further event dates have been released, however Guignard has stated that she would like branch out more as the Speakers for Tomorrow Series continues.

Diversity Cupcake event hosted in Spruce Hall

By ALBA PARDO PASCUAL
Flashlight Contributor

Thirty-six students attend, both men and women decorated cupcakes in Spruce Hall to celebrate diversity among Mansfield University students.

"It was a cool experience to realized how different we are from one another just by the simple act of covering a cupcake in an assortment of different toppings," an assistant said.

"Diversity Cupcakes" was a new event at Mansfield University. Students Larissa and Brandon were in charge of the project. It was open and free to everyone.

There were two kind of cupcakes,

purple icing if your major falls under humanities/social science or blue icing if your major falls under science.

Then there were nine different topics based off a series of statements that may or may not have related to them, for example: red sprinkles you could used them if you ever felt discriminated against, or M&Ms if you love to dance.

Diversity is very commonplace at Mansfield University and this project is not only meant to celebrate it but to spread awareness of our unique MU pride and spirit, while at the same times enjoying some fantastic cupcakes that remind us of MU's diversity.

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Lawson's grand slam holds off Queens 6-5

Laura Lawson hit a grand slam in the top of the first as Mansfield held off Queens Charlotte 6-5 Sunday in the Mounties' final game of the Shaw Softball Challenge.

Mansfield went 4-1 in their opening weekend with wins over Bowie State, Elizabeth City State, Fairmont State and Queens. The lone loss came in a tight 4-3 final against Chowan.

In the top of the first, Alli McGovern got aboard with a walk before Wickwire reached on an error. Two at bats later, Rachel Sterner drew a walk to load the bases, setting up Lawson. With a 1-2 count, Lawson cleared the bases with a home run to deep centerfield, giving Mansfield (4-1, 0-0 PSAC) and early 4-0 lead. It was the second home run of the weekend for Lawson.

Abby Lathan cut the Queens (13-9, 0-0 SAC) deficit to 4-1 with her solo shot in the bottom of the second.

After a scoreless third, Deshae Jones got aboard with a single through the left side and moved to second on a sacrifice bunt. A Koryn Wickwire single put runners on the corners as Sterner singled to drive in a run and make it 5-1 Mansfield.

Facing two outs in the top of the fifth, Anastasia Hester drove the second pitch she saw over the left field fence to add another run for the Mountaineers. It was the first career home run for the freshman.

Queens put together four runs on six hits in the bottom of the sixth to close within one run of the Mounties at 6-5. The Royals got a runner aboard with a two-out error in the seventh, but Mansfield relief pitcher Sierra Storm forced the final out to preserve the win.

Starting pitcher Arianna Young earned her third win of the season in the circle, scattering nine hits. Storm earned her first save of the year.

Eight different Mountaineers collected hits in the game.

Lawson opened her senior season in incredible fashion, going 10-19 (.526) at the plate with eight of those hits going for extra bases including five doubles, two home runs and a triple. She totaled nine RBIs and four runs.

The Mountaineers begin their spring break trip on Saturday, March 11 in Salem, Va. before traveling to Myrtle Beach, S.C.

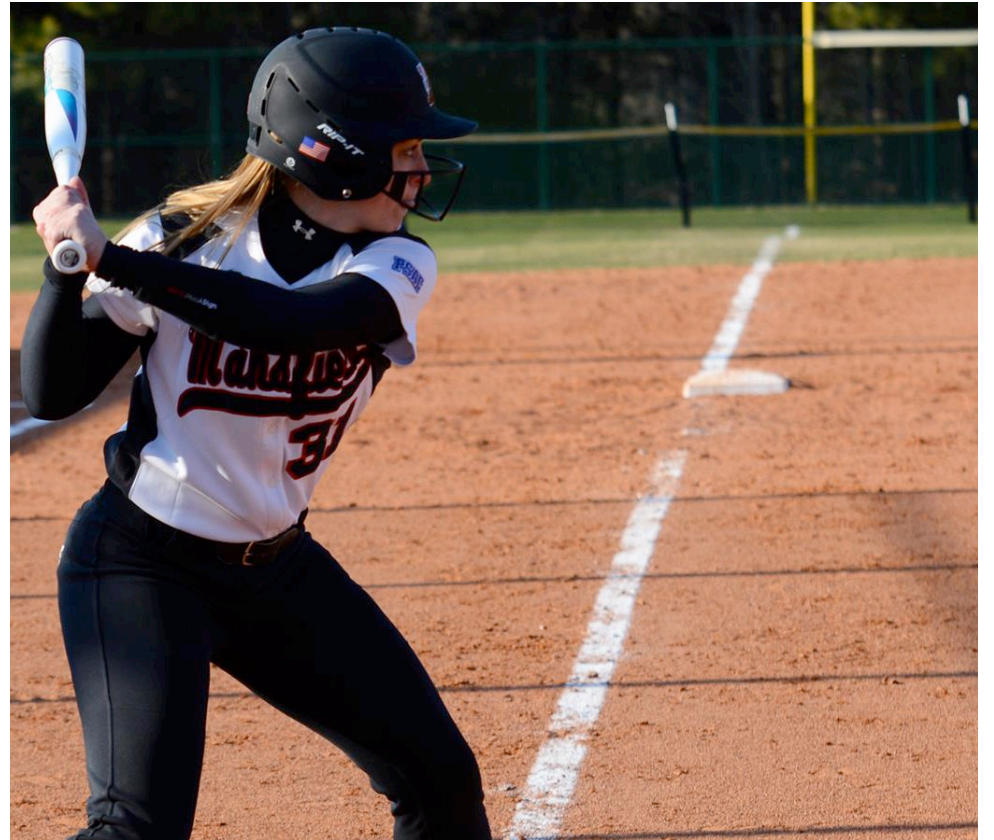


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In 2016, Lawson started in 28 of 33 games played

Coming up in Mountaineer Sports

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17 Baseball: Mountaineers vs. Seton Hill University 9:30am Softball: Mountaineers vs. East Stroudsburg Univer- sity 9:30am	18	19	20	21	22	23

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New MU academic policy denies food to students

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Barton, College of Natural & Social Sciences Dean Dr. Sidell, College of Arts & Humanities Dean Dr. Ulrich and two advisors, Chief Information Officer Nick Andre and Director of Human Resources Kacy Hagan.

There is no mention of a sixth section in the academic dismissal policy that will be effective in the Fall 2017. It is unclear if the temporary meal plan suspension was supposed to be the sixth section or it is part of the fifth.

The policy does not mention anything about a refund or how this will affect students' health. Most on-campus students depend on their meal plans to survive. In-order to live on-campus; it is a requirement that students have a meal plan. "In general all I eat is Upper, so I would be worried if they [Mansfield University] told me I couldn't get the meals that financial aid pays for," said MU student Laura Kohute. There is no mention of this policy addendum in the 2017-2018 housing agreement. If this policy goes into effect and is not changed, the school and Sodexo could be sued for a breach of contract. In addition to a civil suit, it is also theft by deception, which is a crime.

Students who have dietary needs should be worried, as in the case of MU student Kristen Tennity. "I have I.B.S. and have to eat gluten-free and lactose-free at Upper. I would be worried if they denied me food. Just being lactose-free and gluten-free is expensive," Tennity said. She further explained how she pays for her meal plan. "Financial Aid didn't help with my meal plan so if they [Mansfield University] refused me food, I'd feel like they're stealing from me and I'd want me money back."

MU student Josh Ashmar talked about his diabetes and how the school accommodates him. "I have Type 1 Diabetes. This type can be genetic, as it is in my case. I'm on an insulin pump, which I have on

Academic Dismissal Pilot effective Fall 2017

To establish a developmental process for improving poor academic performance and to assist with retention efforts.

1. Midsemester grades will be posted by faculty (Courses numbered at 0000, 1000, or 2000 levels must have midsemester grades submitted. Upper-division courses can be submitted at the discretion of faculty).
2. **Academic warning** will occur if a student's GPA is less than 2.0 at midterm (calculated using midsemester grades submitted from the current semester only). Prior performance in previous semesters is not considered in this calculation.
3. Within two working days of the deadline for midsemester grade posting, each unit secretary will run a query for advisors that will list advisees on academic warning (current midsemester GPA less than 2.0). Query results will be provided to advisors and to department chairs. Department chairs will notify students via email, with a copy to each student's advisor, that they have been placed on academic warning. This email will encourage the student to contact his or her advisor as soon as possible to schedule an appointment.
4. Advisors will communicate with advisees on academic warning within a week of the midsemester grade posting deadline. The advisor and advisee will create and implement an individualized plan for success that includes the mandatory use of appropriate academic support resources, such as those provided by the Department of Academic and Human Development (tutoring services, supplemental instruction, the Writing Center, etc.). Records of participation will be maintained and consulted during any future dismissal appeal decisions.
5. **At the end of the semester in which academic warning has been given, a student earning an overall GPA of less than 2.0 is placed on academic probation. The student on academic probation is provided a mandatory meeting time with the Departmental Student Support Committee (DSSC) the first week of the next semester. The DSSC will have a minimum of three faculty members serving on it. At that meeting, the DSSC will review the academic warning plan and any plans the student has to be successful. The DSSC will review the advisor's plan and suggest any additional recommendations to aid in student success. Failure to meet with the DSSC will result in the temporary suspension of the student's meal plan.**
7. Students with an overall GPA below 2.0 for two consecutive semesters are **academically dismissed**. Dismissals are processed through the Academic and Human Development Department who will review alternatives and opportunities for success. Dismissal may be appealed through the current Academic Standards Review Board (ASRB) process.
8. An overall GPA of 2.0 is the minimum academic GPA that is required for continued matriculation and good academic standing.

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me at all times. I have to watch my blood sugar levels and keep track of what I eat. When I lived on campus, I used an app that told me nutrition facts about the campus dining areas. When you're a diabetic, you're supposed to follow the three-meals-a-day rule. If I still lived on campus and MU took away my meal plan, it would get expensive very fast because I need a certain amount of carbs and food on reserve," Ashmar said.

Sometimes diabetics suffering from low blood sugar display similar traits as being inebriated, and are incarcerated as a result of their seemingly inebriated appearance and then die while in custody for not receiving treatment for their diabetes.

Another concern is students with eating disorders. "The more commonly known eating disorders, Anorexia-Nervosa and Bulimia-Nervosa, can be caused by a variety of factors. Those with anorexia use extreme methods of controlling

their weight. Those with bulimia impulsively eat and feel out of control while doing so. A number of girls, boys, men, and women suffer from these two eating disorders, among others. Mansfield University is no exception. There are current students struggling with these eating disorders. Consistent meal plans, work with a nutritionist, and therapy are all treatment strategies utilized together that can help treat eating disorders. Without access to healthy, nutrition-filled food and a positive eating routine [i.e. meals at Manser], someone with an eating disorder is likely to relapse into restricting eating or engaging in dangerous binges. Hospitalization may be needed to provide essential nutrients for someone not eating." This statement was given by a faculty member of the Psychology Department who wishes to remain anonymous. This policy addendum could potentially cause students with eating disorders to be hospitalized if they are denied food.

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Campus Bulletin Board

A Johnny Cash Tribute Terry Lee Goffee & His Band Saturday April 8 7:30 pm Straughn Auditorium MU Students - \$10 12 & Under - \$5

Food Drive is March 27-April 7. The food drive is for non-perishable foods and boxes will be in South Hall, Alumni Hall, and all the dorms.

Humans vs. Zombies will be April 6-14. Info meeting dates are March 27, 29, and April 4 at 7 pm by Jazzmans Cafe. All Players must attend one info meeting.

Javier Avila One-Man ShowThe Trouble with My Name on Thursday April 13 at 7 pm in Alumni Hall Room 307. The event is free and open to the public.

2nd Annual Walk to Raise Awareness April 1. 11:00a.m.-1:00p.m. Registration starts at 10:30a.m. Held in South Hall Mall. Top individuals/teams win prizes. Featuring Runwell Ambassador, Speakers, Free refreshments, door prizes, music & activitie. Benefits Runwell, local agencies who provide services. Email Lutchkok03@mansfield.edu for a sponsor sheet.

POLICE BEAT

- **Anyone with information on any these events are encouraged to contact the Mansfield University Police at 570-439-4900** -

3/25/17 - Trey Gibson, was observed via CCTV in an apparent state of intoxication and having difficulty operating an elevator in Spruce Hall. Upon contact with Gibson in the Spruce lobby, significant signs of intoxication were observed, as well as the fact that he was in possession of alcohol. Additional evidence was collected regarding the alcohol violation, for which Gibson faces a Minor Consuming/Possession citation, as well as a campus judicial referral.

3/20/17 - At approximately 1535 hours, the victim of a theft reported that her white Samsung Galaxy S5 was taken from the Planetarium in Grant Science.

3/20/17 - University Police received a complaint for a hit and run in the L-lot. The victim reported she parked her vehicle at approximately 1300 hours and returned at approximately 1500 hours to find someone had hit her vehicle causing a scratch on the back driver's side door.

3/20/17 - University Police received a report of an attempted burglary of a faculty office area. Subsequent investigation determined that the reported circumstances were the result of incomplete work from a facilities upgrade project and not the result of an attempted burglary. This incident status has been change to unfounded.

World News



Headlines from across the planet

Blurbs courtesy of cnn.com

2/29/17 - Trump: US troops ‘fighting like never before’ in Iraq
-Trump addressed Iraq at a reception for all US senators and their spouses
-American troops are now in the country primarily to advise and assist Iraqi forces

2/29/17 - London attack: Faith leaders, police join Westminster vigil
-People carried banners with messages of solidarity and laid flowers at a makeshift memorial
-A moment's silence is held by Elizabeth Tower, home to the iconic Big Ben bell

2/29/17 - John Legend surprises London commuters with mini-concert
-Legend hinted in a tweet what he planned
-He also gave a surprise performance at Disneyland Paris

2/29/17 - ‘Daily Show’ launching Trump tweet library
-The “library” will open in June
-Meanwhile a robot is burning Trump’s tweets

2/29/17 - Nigerian Instagram comedian lands million dollar deal
-Nigerian comedian, Chief Obi, has signed a million dollar endorsement deal
-He'll be the first brand ambassador for communications company, Vomozi Communications
-Chief Obi has more than two hundred thousand followers on Instagram

2/29/17 - Dr. Sanjay Gupta: Lessons from meditating with the Dalai Lama
-CNN's Dr. Sanjay Gupta was invited to the Dalai Lama's personal residence to meditate
-He explains what the Dalai Lama shared with him and what he hopes to share with others

Shara McCullum shares twelve poems from her new book

MU student teaches faculty and peers about LGBTQ discrimination

By **EMMA LYNCH**
Staff Writer

Shara McCallum shared twelve poems from her new book, *Madwoman*, to a group of forty-eight listeners.

McCallum, who is originally from Jamaica and currently teaches creative writing at Bucknell University, has published five books of poetry, including *Madwoman*. Her poetry has appeared all over the world in literary magazines, anthologies, and textbooks and have been translated into at least six other languages. McCallum has also written personal essays, which can be found online. She has also won multiple awards, such as a Witter Bynner Fellowship from the Library of Congress, a National Endowment for the Arts Poetry Fellowship, and the Agnes Lynch Starrett Prize for Poetry. Despite her profound success as a poet, McCallum makes no money off of her books, instead allowing all of it to stay with the cooperative press that publishes them.

“Besides that, I wouldn’t make enough money off them to live for a month,” McCallum said. “[My teaching position] is a good job and brings balance to me.”

Her poems cover a broad range of topics and, in *Madwoman* especially, can be seen by some as political.

“[‘Ten Things You Might Like to Know About a Madwoman’] was not originally written in response to Donald Trump, but it kinda

turned into that.” McCallum said. Drawing her inspiration from mythology (Greek and Jamaican especially), women’s lives, her childhood, and an interest in storytelling has helped her create multiple voices within her poetry and discuss different viewpoints. Sometimes, such as in *Madwoman*, those themes are recurring.

“It was different than poetry [I’ve] been exposed to,” Samantha Boner, a senior English Professional Writing major, said. “I also enjoyed the poems that she wrote about Jamaica because that was the first country I ever visited.” Boner’s two favorite poems were *The Parable of the Wayward Child* and *Ten Things You Might Like to Know About a Madwoman*.

The poetry reading was facilitated by Dr. John Ulrich, Dean, College of Arts and Humanities, as well as the English and World Languages Department. “She was invited to speak in 2011 and she did very well,” Ulrich said. “I got a letter about her newest book and invited her to come back, visit a class, and give a reading.”

Ulrich also said that while funding for speakers like this mainly comes from the Dean’s office, a smaller part was financed by the English and World Languages Department.

The poetry reading lasted about forty-five minutes, with time for questions after. *Madwoman* was on sale outside via the campus bookstore and McCallum sat talking and signing books for anyone who wanted a signature.

By **Gavin Herman**
Flashlight Contributor

Devyn Storm Siverson, Mansfield University student, taught staff members about the concerns and discrimination of LGBTQ students on March 22.

The lesson, previously taught on March 7, was about gender neutral language and how to create a friendly environment for nonconforming individuals. The lesson also trains faculty members on possible privileges and how to be aware of them.

The program, open to both faculty and students, gives lessons about topics that affect the LGBTQ community. The first lesson, taught on February 23 and February 27, gave both an overview of the LGBTQ community and gender identities not a part of the gender binary. The last lesson they will give is how to combat stereotypes against LGBTQ individuals (with a possible explanation of pride flags).

Siverson began this program due to the lack of training and education faculty is given for LGBTQ issues. “The only training available to faculty on these subjects came from safe zone ally training. There

were many downsides to this training that made it difficult for faculty to get the knowledge they needed,” Siverson said. Such downsides included inflexible scheduling and educators who haven’t experienced the issues taught. Rather than repeat the same training given by the University, Siverson instead focused on discussion and questions rather than a lecture. “I really wanted the information to come from the students who know the most about this topic and who experience these issues every day,” Siverson said.

According to Siverson, the lessons have been positively received. “Many have also emailed me, asking to meet personally and learn more about issues we face on campus, but also in the real world,” Siverson said. Their end goal for this program is to have it continue in the future after these three lessons. “My ideal goal is to have collaboration between all the diversity clubs on campus to create a welcoming and positive environment for all,” Siverson said.

Equipment for the lessons was granted by Siverson herself, though requests for funding have been made for refreshments.

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Dr. Holderby takes students to France during Spring Break

By KORTNEY REGIS
Flashlight Contributor

Mansfield University professor, Shandra Holderby, took 30 people to France for Spring Break from March 11 to the 19.

The History Club sponsored a Spring Break trip with the help of Shawdra Holderby, a history professor at Mansfield University. The group traveled around the country visiting multiple tourist attractions such as French Chateaus, the Eiffel Tower, and the Louvre.

This was Holderby's eleventh tour abroad. She got involved many years ago when students asked her to arrange a trip to London, she agreed and found a way to make it happen. Ever since then, Holderby has set up tours that allow any Mansfield student to experience the world.

"My favorite thing about every trip is the same, I love to see the students who haven't traveled before jump into the culture and learn as they explore on their own," Holderby said.

Any Mansfield student or alumni students could sign up for this trip. For Khabeera Calaman, a

senior social work student, this was her first time traveling for leisure. Previously she traveled to El Salvador on a mission trip.

"I came on this trip because it was my last spring break and I was ready for something new. I wanted an adventure," Calaman said. "That exactly what I got too!"

Calaman's favorite part about her adventures in France was Normandy. "It changed my perspective on the topic of World War Two. I had no connection before and now that I've been there I feel more connected with history and my ancestors," Calaman said.

The next trip abroad is set for Spring of 2018. Ireland, Wales, and England is on the agenda and students can begin signing up today. By emailing Shawdra Holderby at sholderb@mansfield.edu, students can get more information including dates, cost, and itinerary.

All students are welcome to sign up and encouraged to ask for more information.

MUTV shut down

By CAITILIN STRASSER
Staff Writer

Mansfield University is saying goodbye to an organization that allowed Communication and Theater students' exposure to television and production because of a partnership with Blue Ridge Cable. MUTV receives a portion of their footage from students enrolled in video production classes. The quality of most videos handed in to MUTV were not at a standard necessary to air with Blue Ridge Cable, which led to use of filler material.

Unfortunately, the use of these last minute time-filling tactics contributed to mistakes that resulted in the shutdown. According to Andrea Bohart, former president of MUTV, the organization will no longer be

recognized by the university due to editing mistakes made this semester. A meeting is scheduled for Friday March 29th with Tom Freeman of Blue Ridge Cable to express regret, appreciation, and gratitude for the opportunities that the partnership created.

Bohart was involved in the organization as an anchor, editor, and script writer. She would have loved to see MUTV grow and receive more student interest. However, Bohart believes it is possible that a similar organization could show up on campus in the future if enough student interest is present. She described that any new organization should contain shorter segments that could be shared on social media platforms.

Fundrasier for Kiel Lampman raises over \$1,000

By EMMA LYNCH
Staff Writer

Mariah Christ made almost \$1,300 in a fundraiser for a local boy who passed away from cancer recently.

Christ, a sophomore majoring in early childhood and special education, has known Kiel's grandparents since she was four or five and first met Kiel at a fire hall benefit. Upon finding out that there was nothing more that doctors could do for the seven year old, Christ wanted to help.

"I had to do something for the family, I couldn't just leave them hanging," Christ said. "I threw it together in two days, with help from my mom." Posters were put up on campus letting people know when and where it would take place. The fundraiser raised \$1,295 to give to the family and Christ also plans on taking a picture of everyone who bought a t-shirt, framing it, and giving it to the family as well.

The fundraiser had order forms to buy T-shirts and wrist bands to help the family of Kiel Lampman

raise money to pay for funeral services and medical care. The tees and wrist bands were printed by Halls Lumber in Tioga, PA and were finished last week. According to Christ, President Hendricks bought a t-shirt and is planning on being the sign holder for the group photo. Professor Martha Campbell will be taking the picture, although the time and date of the photo-shoot has yet to be announced.

Some students donated time in support of Kiel and this fundraiser.

"I was touched that so many people gave so much," Amanda Sheakoski, a junior majoring in social studies education, said. "I've seen regular fundraisers that don't do so well. I expected this one to [do well] but I didn't expect people to give as much as they did." Sheakoski heard about the fundraiser from Christ and wanted to help after learning of Kiel's predicament.

"I learned about [the fundraiser] from Sheakoski at a meeting," Ivy Bruch, a junior psychology major, said. "I felt like the family was going through a rough time

and if I could do anything to help I would be there."

Kiel Lampman, 7, died on Sunday, March 5, 2017, after fighting Rhabdomyosarcoma for two years. His Facebook page can still be found and posted on.

His story has not gone unheard around the country. One of Kiel's dreams was to meet Iron Man. Multiple people reached out to Robert Downey Jr.'s publicist to make his dream come true. Kiel not only met his hero, he went fishing with him and caught his first fish. The actor also dedicated a recent award to the Lampman family as well as another family in Ohio.

Many others have posted on Kiel's page, sending thoughts, prayers, and love to him and his family, even after his death.

Christ ordered several extra tees and wrist bands in case anyone did not get to order one the day of the fundraiser. She is also considering holding an annual fundraiser in Kiel's memory, although no definitive plans have been made yet.

The Odyssey hosted recruitment event at North Hall Library

By SATIECKA WALKER
Staff Writer

March 9, 2017 the Odyssey hosted a recruitment event in the North Hall Library from 6:30 -8:00pm. There was free coffee and donuts for student to part take in while the board shared their amazing progress and stories established here at Mansfield University.

The Odyssey is a club for creative to be born. The Odyssey promotes stories students want to share. Students are able to write about any topic of interest or idea that they would want the public to know about and follow. The stories students write are not just seen by students here at Mansfield University but on a national level as well. The mission of the Odyssey is that "a story doesn't just get told on Odyssey, it gets discovered by the users that the story is meant to reach. Users are able to follow their favorite Creators and topics using our proprietary technology, which serves users content that is relevant to their

particular interests." Students write a story or article weekly and submit them to the Odyssey's editor to be published and shared with readers.

According to Hannah Swartwood the editor and chief of the Odyssey branch here at Mansfield the club started in December of 2015. The purpose is to allow students to write about simple ideas on life trends or an activist cause they are interested in and expose readers to that information. The audience of Odyssey is everyone that encounters an article share via social media or by browsing the Odyssey's website. Hannah wrote a comical article on nursing. She wrote about her experience of being a daughter of a nurse and the conversations that are held at the dinner table. After uploading her short article she received over 200,000 shares on social media. Stories are not only posted during a semester period but all year round.

The headquarters of the Odyssey resides in New York City. College campuses that choose to join

the organization are assigned a managing editor. The managing editor for the Mansfield University campus is Dillon Havens. He receives the stories that student submit through our campus branch then publishes the finish work. Each campus has a board that facilitates the weekly stories that are forwarded to the headquarters in New York City. The board members of our campus are Hannah Swartwood, Julia Bowers, Rachel Clark, MaryKate Gallagher, Hale Geer, Sydney Hartman, Dillon Havens, Hannah Hollowell, Briana McCaffrey, Samantha Seidel, Chelsea Smith, and Brain Vanuestraut.

To become a member of the Odyssey or to attend the next meeting students and staff are welcomed to contact Hannah Swartwood via email: swartwhe23@mansfield.edu

Editorial: Why starve students?

Academic achievement is a goal for both students and college administrators. But at this time period in the history of Mansfield University when it appears that the school is one bad news story away from the PASSHE chopping block, we have to ask who came up with this idea, and more importantly, who approved it? If you are a current MU student, or the parents of a student, how would you feel about being denied the food that you paid for in advance? If you are a prospective student, or the parents of a prospective student, would you want to attend a school, or have your child attend a school, that would punish a student for not earning the grades that the university feels is satisfactory? Again, good grades and acquiring knowledge is the goal for all students, but in the final analysis, it is up to the student, who is an adult under both Pennsylvania and Federal law, to decide

if he or she will earn that good grade or not.

When a student signs up for a meal plan, a contract is made between the university, the food service provider, and the student. Regarding this new policy on dismissal and retention, was Sodexo told to not provide food to designated students, and further, told that they too, along with the university, would be sued for a breach of contract? Does the university not have any lawyers on the payroll who could provide some good legal advice on contract law? Normally, students expect to be put on academic probation or even dismissed if they do not make the GPA grade cut. But we have to ask the question of what is next for students who do not meet the expected academic standards. Will students be denied a dorm room and be forced to huddle around a burning fire in an oil drum in order to keep warm? Will that be followed by public

floggings? If this sounds like a scene from a Charles Dickens' novel, that is exactly what it does sound like: "Please President Hendricks, may I have some more porridge"? Was any thought given to the students who have health issues, such as diabetics, who are forced to eat on a regular schedule, regardless of their grades?

President Hendricks has consistently and constantly stated that all that is needed to save Mansfield University is that the Mansfield story be told in Harrisburg. We have to ask if denying students the food that they paid for, in advance, is a part of that story. There is no question that punishment is called for, and justified, in this instance. However, the people that should be punished are those who came up with this policy, and those who approved it.

Michael Lombardo will be holding a Photographic Exhibition at the Deane Center in Wellsboro



Mansfield University senior, and Advanced Photography student, Michael Lombardo, will be holding a Photographic Exhibition entitled "Suffocating Planet" at the Deane Center in Wellsboro, PA. The show will take place Friday, April 14 through May 5th 2017 with an opening reception on Friday the April 14th from 6-8pm.

This exhibit will showcase a selection of photographs that depict nature in its beauty and seclusion. The photographs will transition with a reflection of nature being affected by man. The impact will become more profound as the viewer walks through the show.

There will also be a short, stop-motion film playing during the show. It will be set on a loop so one could jump in and watch/listen

at any part. The film itself will mirror the message and images portrayed, containing images of nature slowly being washed away by objects human beings have made.

There will also be poetry spoken over-top the film spoken by the artist and friend, Kenny Unger. The film will contain a score composed and performed by the artist.

The Deane Center is located 104 Main St, Wellsboro, PA 16901. For more information please visit the Facebook Event Page, "Suffocating Planet" by Michael Lombardo. Feel free to contact Michael Lombardo at (610) 401-3902 or lombardom16@mansfield.edu or Martha A. Campbell (advisor/professor) at (570) 662-4505 or mcampbel@mansfield.edu.

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Liberty Campus Ministries discusses Baptimism at weekly Bible study

Lehigh University wins 2017 Chefs Fair

By **MICHAEL GLASSER**
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Liberty Campus Ministries discussed baptism at their weekly Bible Study on March 23.

Baptism is known as a public declaration of one person’s faith. The most common bap-tism is a water baptism, being dunked under water in the name of the Father, Son and Holy Spirit, but there were a few other baptisms that happened throughout The Bible as well.

Liberty Campus Ministries is a student organization that operates as an extension of Liberty Church. Under the leadership of Pastor Dave Hatfield, the Associate Pastor and Student Pastor at Liberty Church, Lib-erty Campus Ministries was designed to help Mansfield University students embrace grace and experience the faith, hope and love of Je-sus Christ.

“The authors of scripture make clear that God doesn’t just love us; He is love! And when we experience His love and kindness it chang-

es everything. The students at MU are the next generation of leaders in this nation, and we want to do all we can to help them fulfill the incredible destinies God has for each one of them, both in their time on campus and for the rest of their lives,” said Pastor Dave Hatfield.

“Liberty gave me a family and a support system that I needed here. Without them I would have more struggles and nowhere to turn,” said freshman and treasurer of the organizationSidney Mistysyn.

Liberty Campus Ministries also provides a bus every Sunday that allows students to attend a celebration without spending the mon-ey on gas. The bus leaves from Spruce at 10:15 a.m.

For more information on Liberty Cam-pus Ministries, go to Alumni 314 at 7:30 p.m. on Thursdays.

By **ADAM HUTCHISON**
Flashlight Contributor

Lehigh University won this year’s Chefs Fair with 85 votes.

Lehigh university made chicken tacos, mac and cheese, and dessert nachos and ice cream for desser.

The chef’s fair is an annual Mansfield University event. Chef Ron invited Lehigh University, Moravian college, and Muhlen-berg college. The chefs display their talents by making a dish dedicated to a cartoon character selected and compete for the Best Chef title. “It’s my favorite day of the year, us Mansfield students get to see what other college chefs can make,” said sophomore Steve Sicilia.

Students and families came to Manser to sample all of the contestants’ offerings on March 22.

The theme of this event was Comic Cuisine which each school would pick from

twenty characters given to them by Chef Ron. The characters that were selected were Cap-tain America, Popeye, Hulk, and Garfield. Mansfield selected Garfield who likes pizza and lasagna which allowed Chef Ron to make a lasagna bowl for the students. Garfield also likes Ice cream and Mansfield served some upside down ice cream cake which students found enjoyable.

The students and families received a ticket when entering manser, and got to try all of the food from each station. “They had 500 people come to upper manser that night and out of them they had 250 people that voted,” said Chef Ron. Mansfield University and Muhlenberg College tied at second place with 65 votes each. Moravian College was in last place.

Mansfield University will be holding the Chef’s Fair again next spring with new types of food with a different theme.

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MU Students make soap at Scrubba Dub Dub program

By KORTNEY REGIS
Flashlight Contributor

Seventeen Mansfield students made soap at the Scrubba Dub Dub program lead by two resident assistants in Hickory on March 23.

RAs Sarah LaFrance and Meagon Aikey put on this program so that students who had an interest in body soaps could go to the Hickory multipurpose room and make their own for no cost. Residence life provided the supplies including brown sugar, vanilla extract, cinnamon, lemon extract, peppermint extract, olive oil, bowls, and spoons.

"Every semester we, as RAs, are supposed to put on at least five programs for our residents. Usually we get about \$200 each and we get to think of programs that would interest the residents," LaFrance said.

Being that it is LaFrance's second year as an RA in Hickory, she wanted to try something new. "We wanted to do something we hadn't seen and one day it just hit us that people like to smell good, so we picked up stuff to make soap," LaFrance said.

LaFrance has had prior experience with making soap and other products such as body wash, perfume, and shampoos. With the help of her mother, who runs a side business making these products, LaFrance found out that the soap making process was easy.

Most of the students in attendance were Hickory residents but a few were also from Sycamore. A freshman education major, Casey Blair, was one of the residence who went to the program.

"I come to these events when I can make it because they give me something to do and they are usually pretty fun. I came to this one because I never made soap before and I wanted to try it out," Blair said.

Those who attended got to make their own soap, but LaFrance said that it is easy enough to do yourself. "Look up a recipe online, get the ingredients, and make as much soap as you want. It can be very cheap and organic if you want," LaFrance said.

On designtaxi.com there is a recipe that has the instructions laid out for the reader to follow. The site also provides the soap maker with an essential oil chart which allows them to see what each essential oil is used for. An example would be that tea tree oil is used for antibacterial properties to help protect the skin from breakouts.

Other programs will be held throughout the rest of the semester in all of the residence halls. All programs are free of charge to students.

Local bands perform at Open Mic Night at The Hut

By MICHAEL GLASSER
Flashlight Contributor

The Hut hosted its weekly Open Mic Night on March 8. On Wednesday, local bands Suave Badger, Seneca Guns, and The Rocky Burning Band, as well as Young Shoddy, a rapper from MU, and many more performed at Open Mic.

Open Mic Night takes place every Wednesday night at The Hut and features bands, rappers, solo artists, comedians, poets, and many other talents performed by Mansfield University students and surrounding community members. Acts are given a two-song limit on the stage to perform whatever they have prepared for the night, but are welcome to

perform more later in the night if time allows after everyone on the sign-up sheet has gone.

Lucas Eaton, a former Mansfield University student and lead singer of Suave Badger, said, "The feeling you get when showing up is a welcoming one. Everyone is always very friendly and open minded. You can tell they are all there for the same reason, to share their love of all kinds of different art forms."

The Hut comes fully equipped with a large sound system, a guitar amp, and a bass amp, as well as house electric guitars, basses, a keyboard, and an acoustic-electric guitar.

More information on The Hut can be found on The Hut at Mansfield University's Facebook page.

Education Department Council for Exceptional Children hold annual book sale

by TYLER KRASNAI
Flashlight Contributor

The Mansfield University Education Department Council for Exceptional Children held their annual used book sale March 8 through March 10 in the Retan building, raising over \$100.

"We keep half of [the money], and we use it to fund the activities we do throughout the school year, like dances. The other half goes towards a school or children in need," said member Erica Powell.

A variety of books were for sale on the second floor of Retan, ranging from counting for preschoolers to deeply involved adult novels. "All of our books have been donated, we've gotten some from a daycare, some fac-

ulty from the education department donated some, and even some students pitched in. It was really nice to see all these people stepping up to donate and help us help kids in need," Powell said.

"I'm glad that [the Council for Exceptional Children is] doing this, kids in need can always use whatever help comes their way," said student Terry Wyatt.

Books all had varying prices, but most amounted to a dollar. There was also a special deal where you could pay five dollars to fit as many books as you could into a provided bag.

"It was really a steal, [the five dollar offer]," said student Jacob Beltz. "I was able to get a whole bunch of smaller books that I'll either read or eventually just sell on my own. It was a huge discount!"

SGA Meeting Minutes



This year's Spring Fling artists are finally able to be announced. The artist that will be coming this year is A Boogie Wit Da Hoodie and Sublime with Rome. Gates will open at 6:30 p.m. and the concert will start at 8 p.m. There is a big discussion with the Provost about whether or not the SGA Executive Board should be getting paid for what they do. President, Vice President and Treasurer all get paid \$3,000 per semester while Parliamentarian, Public Relations Director, Secretary and IT Director get paid \$2,000 per semester. There

will be a poll on my.mansfield up within the next few weeks for students to vote whether or not the executive members should be paid. Another hot topic that was discussed during SGA was having a book loan program in the future. Mrs. Seidel would like to open this opportunity up to students. This is so students can access their books for classes so they do not have to pay for them. There is still a lot more information that needs to be gathered. The discussion was tabled until further notice.

Students Activities Office presents bus trip to Washington D.C.

by ALBA PARDO PASCUAL
Flashlight Contributor

Mansfield University took students to Washington DC on Saturday, 25th of March, which was presented by the Student Activities Office. The cost of the trip, including transportation, was \$17.

The tickets were on sale in the bookstore. The trip was funded by Student Activity Fees.

On the March 25, the Coach bus departed at 6:30a.m. in front of Laurel Hall and departed Washington DC at 8:00p.m. from the National Museum of Natural History. It was a five-hour trip each way, including one stop each way to rest/eat.

Once in Washington, students had the option to go where they wanted and visited the National Mall with its historic monuments and memorials, Arlington National Cemetery, the Library of Congress, the National Archives, and the Supreme Court. More than 75 museums offered free admission with their student ID, ... and other places also offered free admission for students.

The trip corresponded with the annual Cherry Blossom Festival held in Washington DC.

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Baseball splits series at Lock Haven

Mountaineer baseball split Saturday's doubleheader at Lock Haven to go even in Mansfield's PSAC East opening series.

Mansfield (10-11, 2-2 PSAC East) took the opener 1-0 before Lock Haven (12-4, 2-2 PSAC East) surged late to win the nightcap 10-3.

Taylor Hillson led-off the bottom of the first inning with a single into left field and advanced to second on a wild pitch. Tanner Klein lined a one-out single into the outfield to drive in Hillson and give

Mansfield an early 1-0 lead.

Lock Haven recorded hits in the next four innings but could not push across the equalizing run.

Facing a one-run deficit in the top of the seventh, the Lock Haven lead-off hitter got aboard with a single and moved to second on a sacrifice bunt. Mansfield closer Tyler Guidos preserved the shutout to give the Mountaineers the win.

Starting pitcher Edwin Lopez earned his first win of the season allowing just six

hits through 6.0 innings of work. Guidos picked up his third save of the year, pitching the final inning.

The Bald Eagles opened the second game by scoring a pair of runs in the top of the first. But, Mansfield answered back with RBIs by Pena and Paige in the bottom of the frame to tie the game.

After three scoreless innings, Lock Haven plated the go-ahead run in the top of the fifth, but Mansfield answered again in the bottom of the inning when Brady

Mengel scored on a passed ball.

Lock Haven scored another run in the sixth and six runs in the seventh to earn the win.

Brett Morrison threw 5.1 innings with four hits allowed to earn the win. Breton Larose got the save.

The two losses handed to Lock Haven in the four-game series are just the third and fourth of the season for the Eagles. Lock Haven was ranked seventh in the latest Atlantic Region rankings.



Photo Courtesy of Gomounties
Edwin Lopez is a former member of Lackawanna College and Cecil College baseball teams

Track & Field wraps up Fred Hardy invite

Mansfield track & field completed day two of the outdoor season-opening Fred Hardy Invitational on Saturday.

Jenny Bellefleur turned in a pair of solid performances in the 100 and 200-meter dashes. The sophomore finished seventh in the 100m with a personal best time of 13.16. She also took seventh in the 200m with an outdoor PR of 26.34 which just missed a PSAC time.

Nicholas Auchenbach was also just

shy of a PSAC time and matched his indoor season PR in the 200m at 23.06. Bryce Steiner hit a personal best in the 200m at 25.11.

In the 800-meter run, Sarah Morin hit a PR with her time of 2:40.

Quanda Williams hit a personal best in the 400-meter run at 1:02.54.

The Mountaineers will hit the track again on April 1 at the Millersville Metrics.

Coming up in Mountaineer Sports

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7 Baseball: Mountaineers vs. Bloomsburg University 1:00p.m. Softball: Mountaineers vs. Lock Haven University 2:30p.m.	8 Men and Women's Track and Field: Mountaineers vs. University of Delaware All Day Baseball: Mountaineers vs. Bloomsburg University 1:00p.m.	9	10	11 Baseball: Mountaineers vs. Slippery Rock University 1:00p.m. Softball: Mountaineers vs. Mercyhurst University 2:00p.m.	12	13

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MU responds to academic dismissal policy

By EVAN JOHNSON
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In the previous issue of The Flashlight, we reported on the new academic dismissal policy and what it meant for students at Mansfield University. After receiving a tremendous amount of feedback, The Flashlight wanted to take a closer look at the policy. The Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA) policy states: "Under FERPA, a school may not generally disclose personally identifiable information from an eligible student's education records to a third party unless the eligible student has provided written consent. However, there are a number of exceptions to FERPA's prohibition against non-consensual disclosure of personally identifiable information from education records."

Sodexo isn't an exception to this policy and as Dr. Steven Siconolfi, the Mansfield University Provost, stated in his interview on WETM-TV regarding the new academic dismissal policy, "Step out of (the) line, make the phone call now, confirm that you're going to go to the meeting and then go eat lunch." The provost announced this on television, so when the message pops up on the screen telling the student to go see the Office of Deans, it is now public knowledge what that message means and if the Sodexo employee swiping the student's card sees that message, then they will know a student's academic standing, which is a violation of the FERPA laws. "I don't know

what the FERPA policy is, so I don't have an opinion on it. We just go in the direction of the University," Drew Robinson, the General Manager of Sodexo at Mansfield University said.

In an interview with Dean John Ulrich, we wanted to know who wrote the policy and the addendum regarding the suspension of a student's meal. "It was written by the Dean's academic leadership team, provost, and deans. We solicited feedback from other people and reached out to senate, APSCUF, and department chairs," Ulrich said.

Professor Bia Bernum of the Communication Department at Mansfield University spoke about the recent academic dismissal policy. "Neither the current policy nor the proposed policy addresses why students earn failing grades and then matches that reason with a corresponding course of action. Typically, students fail my classes because they don't attend class, don't complete assignments, and/or don't follow directions. I'm not sure how meeting with an academic advisor or DSSC can thwart those behaviors," Bernum said. Dr. Andrew Gaskiewicz spoke about the policy as well. "I understand what they (Mansfield University) are trying to do, as long as they do it right. It's a way for them to flag students and get them to see their advisors. I don't have a problem with it as long as they don't harm students," Gaskiewicz said.

Dr. Keith Johnson of the Criminal Justice Department at Mansfield University spoke about the academic dismissal policy. "I approach this issue from my perspective of having been a lawyer for 40 years. So the first

thing I have to ask is why have a written policy that says one thing, but a verbal policy that says something entirely different. The written policy clearly states: 'Failure to meet with the DSSC will result in the temporary suspension of the student's meal plan.' But now Dean Ulrich states that the university would not expect or allow the student to miss even one meal as a result. When there is a difference between what is written and what is said, confusion is often the result. So which is it?" said Johnson. Dr. Timothy Madigan of the Sociology Department was interviewed about the academic dismissal policy. "They need to be careful about the wording of things that can have a negative impact on students or that appear to be a threat," Madigan said.

Dr. Johnson spoke on the FERPA law and the academic dismissal policy. "I also have a serious legal concern that the university may unintentionally be violating the FERPA law. This is a federal law that treats students who are 18 years old as adults, and applies to all educational agencies and institutions (e.g., schools) that receive funding under any program administered by the U.S. Department of Education. As a faculty member, I have the right to know about a student's academic transcript and his/her academic program evaluation; I am not allowed to know anything about his financial aid or billing record. In this matter, the administration has clearly stated that when a student swipes his card with Sodexo, and a message comes up to immediately contact the Office of the Deans, then this message means that the student is in danger of academic dismissal,

and this message is being read by a third party, non-academic food service provider employee. The same thing happens when the message comes up for the student to immediately contact the Financial Aid office. Now the Sodexo employee knows that the student has not paid an outstanding bill. This is again confidential information that is being provided to a non-academic third party vendor. Why does anyone from Sodexo have a right to know this information?" Johnson said.

The information regarding the academic dismissal policy and the FERPA laws was discussed with Dean John Ulrich during our interview. We told Dean Ulrich about the fact that the provost went on television and publically announced what the message on the screen means, as well as the FERPA laws about disclosing a student's academic information to third parties. "If the message says contact the Office of Deans, it won't say anything academic. But we might have to take another look at the policy," Ulrich said.

After the front page article came out in the previous issue of The Flashlight, we received feedback from the source who provided a quote regarding eating disorders. The source was Dr. Nicole Mayo from the Psychology department at Mansfield University and she was speaking strictly on the topic of students with eating disorders, not the academic dismissal policy which was the subject of the front page article. It was unclear to Dr. Mayo at the time of interviewing that we were doing a story on the academic dismissal policy.

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Mansfield University 1st Annual Alumni Weekend 5K Walk/Run Saturday, June 10, 2017 at 8pm Male/Female prizes for the overall finishers and in 7 categories

John Rodrigues painter “Balance” March 20 - April 14, 2017

POLICE BEAT

- Anyone with information on any these events are encouraged to contact the Mansfield University Police at 570-439-4900 -

There have not been any new crimes reported since issue 4 of The Flashlight

World News

Headlines from across the planet

Blurbs courtesy of cnn.com



4/12/17 - Suicide explosion in Kabul kills at least 5
-ISIS claims responsibility for attack via news agency affiliated with terror group
-Political offices in Afghan capital have been the scene of a number of attacks recently

4/12/17 - Bodies of 1,500 Yazidis found in northern Iraq since 2015, says official
-1,300-1,500 Yazidis found in mass graves since 2015, official says
-Authorities expect to uncover more bodies in ISIS-held territory

4/12/17 - Foreign hacking during Brexit referendum can't be ruled out, report says
-Committee says it does not rule out the possibility an attack caused a Brexit voter registration website to crash
-"There is no evidence to suggest malign intervention," the UK Cabinet Office says

4/12/17 - Minister: Blast at Turkish police station was a terror attack
-Blast originally thought to be an accident is called a terror attack
-Three people dead and at least 10 others injured

4/12/17 - Iran's Ahmadinejad registers as presidential candidate
-Ahmadinejad was known for his fiery foreign policy rhetoric while president
-He served two terms in office, during which he pushed forward Iran's nuclear program

4/12/17 - India to ban discrimination against people with HIV/AIDS
-The new law has been in the works for 15 years
-India has the third largest epidemic of HIV in the world

4/12/17 - Eyes of the highways: Raising a 'trucker army' for trafficking fight
-Trucker Kevin Kimmel saved sex trafficking victim in 2015
-Truckers are on front line of human trafficking fight in US

4/12/17 - Taiwan bans eating dog and cat meat
-People found to be eating the meat could be fined more than \$8,000
-"Walking" dogs on a leash behind cars and bikes is also banned

4/12/17 - Millions of discarded flip flops posing huge hazard to ocean life
-Tons of flip flops wash up on East African coast each year, says conservation group
-Discarded flip flops can harm marine animal and plant life, it says

4/12/17 - Want to be happy and successful? Try compassion
-Compassion for others can lead to more friends, success and sustainable happiness
-Training to be more compassionate changes your brain for good

Direction for future creative writing minor unclear at Mansfield University

International student exchange program offers opportunities to students

By **EMMA LYNCH**
Staff Writer

The future of the creative writing program is unclear with the announcement of Professor Louise Sullivan-Blum, Mansfield’s last creative writing professor.

The creative writing minor, one of the largest on campus, was created in 1993. While most minors typically have two to three students officially declared, this minor currently has fourteen. However, several of those students graduate this semester or have completed the requirements, leaving only three students who still require courses next year.

Sullivan-Blum is the last, full-time, creative writing professor on campus since Dr. Judith Sornberger retired in 2014. According to Sullivan-Blum there used to be a much larger faculty for the minor.

“After I leave there won’t be any more creative writing professors,” Sullivan-Blum said. “If they don’t hire another professor then who is going to teach the courses? If they aren’t going to offer the intro courses, how are we going to attract new people to the minor?”

“We have no intention of getting rid of the minor,” Dr. John Ulrich, Dean of the College of Arts and Humanities, said. “We’re simply not hiring a tenure track replacement. All that is really going to happen is that we

won’t be offering those courses as frequently as we do now.”

“I think we should keep the minor,” Ivy Bruch, a junior psychology major and creative writing minor, said. “It’s a great minor and a great way to express [yourself] without creating pottery or paintings. It’s another form of art.”

It is unclear what will happen to the three students who still have courses to take. They will probably have a couple of options. Individualized instruction; allowing the student to take a course that Mansfield offers, but isn’t offering when the student needs it, one-on-one with a professor. Also, while it is possible that a current English professor could volunteer to teach a course, none have so far. It is more likely that any future creative writing classes, when they are offered, will be taught by an adjunct, or temporary, professor.

Sullivan-Blum began working at Mansfield University in 1993 and is the creator of the creative writing minor. Her decision to retire was announced on Thursday, March 30, 2017. After the announcement of her retirement, it was also announced that two of the four classes she was set to teach next semester, Introduction to Fiction Writing and Young Adult Literature, were cancelled. Sullivan-Blum cited personal reasons, and a wish to focus on her own personal writing, as her reasons for retiring.

By **ALBA PARDO PASCUAL**
Flashlight Contributor

Mansfield University has its own exchange program and also is a member of the International Student Exchange program (ISEP), the largest student-exchange program in the world. It gives you the facility of go abroad and study in English in more than 40 countries or in other languages in many others.

“You can study abroad. It’s easy, affordable and an extremely intense experience that definitely will change your life, so check in to your options today,” Study Abroad Program Director, Monique Oyallon said.

Mansfield has an affiliation with the Academia de Español in Cuzco, Peru, as well as direct ex-change agreements with Charles Sturt University in Australia; with Friedrich-Schiller-Universitat in Jena, Germany; and with the Institute of Political Sciences at the University of Toulouse in south-ern France, where you can focus on the fields of business, criminal justice, history, political science, economics, and sociology.

Application deadlines vary. If you are interested in this program, it is really

important to pay attention to the posted deadlines, particularly for competitive sites, places where many people want to go.

For example, the deadline for an application to go abroad for Fall 2017 has now passed and very few openings remain. For Spring 2018, your application should reach the study-abroad office during the first week of the Fall 2017 semester and no later than September 1st for competitive sites such as New Zealand, Australia, or the UK.

The expenses of studying abroad depend on the destination, but using an exchange program means that the overall cost will be in the range of what you pay to study at Mansfield, and your financial aid is fully applicable toward the cost of study abroad.

For more details about destinations with the International Student Exchange Program for Spring 2018 and beyond, go to www.isepstudyabroad.org and talk with Study-Abroad Director Dr. Monique Oyallon in 110D Belknap Hall (570) 662-4603 or email her at moyallon@mansfield.edu.

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14 Pedal Power 6:15am - 7:15am Climbing Gym Open 4:00p.m. - 9:00p.m. Chamber Singers Concert 7:30p.m. - 9:00p.m. Off Beat Cinema Night 9:00p.m. - 11:55p.m.	15 HUT Recreation Night All Day Climbing Gym Open 1:00p.m. - 6:00p.m. Malcolm Layaou, Senior Voice Recital 2:30p.m.- 4:00p.m.	16	17 MU Gym Games 6:00p.m. - 10:00p.m. MU Gym Games 6:00p.m. - 10:00p.m. Earth Day Flowers 7:00p.m. - 8:00p.m. The BHZ Ensemble 7:30p.m. - 9:30p.m.	18 The Way Forward in Climate Change Policy 4:00p.m. - 5:00p.m. Cardio Pump 6:00p.m. - 6:30p.m. Intramural Soccer 6:00p.m. - 10:00p.m.	19 Unwanted Item Swap 3:00p.m.- 5:00p.m. Can I have S'more? 6:30p.m. - 7:30p.m. Can-Jam, Corn-Hole and Cotton Candy 7:00p.m.- 8:00p.m.	20 Brownie Recipes! All Day Climbing Gym Open 11:30a.m. - 1:30p.m. Hall Fest 7:00p.m. - 9:00p.m. Spruce Fest! 7:00p.m. - 9:00p.m.
21 New Student Orientation 9:00a.m. Brett Helmus Senior Voice Recital 6:00p.m. - 7:00p.m. Off Beat Cinema Night 9:00p.m.- 11:55p.m.	22 Coleman Lidle Senior Percussion Recital 1:00p.m. - 3:00p.m. Matt Anson and Rob Garrison Senior Voice Recital 3:00p.m. - 4:30p.m.	23 MU Concert Wind Ensemble 2:30p.m. - 4:30p.m. Piano Studio Recital 6:00p.m. - 7:00p.m.	24 Create Your Own Stress Ball!! 7:00p.m. - 8:00p.m. Pilates 7:00p.m. - 9:00p.m. Student Composers Society Concert 7:30p.m. - 9:00p.m.	25 United Campus Ministry Dinner - Free Food! 5:30p.m. - 7:00p.m. Cardio Pump 6:00p.m. - 6:30p.m. Zumba 7:00p.m. - 9:00p.m.	26 Lecture - Michael Brown Sr.- Chosen for Change - A Father's Perspective - April 26 -7:30p.m. Straughn 7:30a.m. - 9:30p.m. Showcase of Student Scholarship 9:00a.m. - 5:00p.m.	27 Vocal Jazz Festival All Day Climbing Gym Open 11:30a.m. - 1:30p.m. Live Band Jam Night 9:00p.m. - 11:55p.m.

Kelly Sestak will be holding a photographic exhibition



Mansfield University senior, and Advanced Digital Photography student, Kelly Sestak, will be holding a Photographic Exhibition entitled Nature's Edge. The show will take place on Friday, May 5, 2017 from 6:00-9:00pm at the Pajama Factory in Williamsport, PA.

This exhibit is inspired by the way human beings and nature interact with each other. "I believe that instead of tearing down and destroying nature we should become one and help each other. Nature doesn't need humans, but humans need nature. By destroying nature we're destroying ourselves. When humans and nature become

one, amazing things can happen." This exhibit is intended to try to change the way humans see nature by using double exposure photography to reflect the idea that by helping nature, we are helping ourselves. "We are all one."

The Pajama Factory is located on 1307 Park Avenue, Williamsport PA, 17701. For more information please visit the Facebook Event Page, "Nature's Edge" by Kelly Sestak. Feel free to contact Kelly Sestak at (814) 873-3459 or sestakke12@mansfield.edu or Martha A Campbell (advisor/instructor) at (570) 662-4505 or mcampbel@mansfield.edu.

John Rodrigues hosts painting workshop

By **ELLY FRANZY**
Flashlight Contributor

On Wednesday March 29th a painting workshop by John Rodrigues was held in Allen Hall. The two-hour workshop was focused on oil paints, how to use them, how to combine oil paints with acrylic, what to mix with oil paint to make it thicker or more transparent, and how to clean up the oil. "I had no clue that oil is combustible on paper towels since when it oxidizes it creates heat. I'm glad I know that now before I accidentally cause

a fire," Anna Nelson, a graphic design major, said.

The first twenty minutes were spent on learning about oil paints while the rest of the program allowed students to have a chance to branch off of what they learned and get to paint whatever they wanted with oil paints available to them.

John Rodrigues is especially known for his oil paintings to create narrative art pieces. If interested, his art exhibition is on display in the Loomis Gallery in Allen Hall until April 14th.

MU Organization of the Week: NERF Humans vs. Zombies

By **HANNAH GROVER**
Staff Writer

The Nerf Club at Mansfield University started its semi-annual game of Humans Versus Zombies last Thursday morning. The Nerf Club meets every other Sunday at 7pm. They host weekend nerf games that are announced on their Facebook page, but once each semester, The Nerf Club hosts Humans vs. Zombies, a game of tag with nerf blasters. A few Original Zombies start off the game and tag the rest of the players who begin the game as humans.

When the humans are tagged, they become zombies. Humans defend themselves with blasters of many sorts. "Everyone is welcome to play! We have students,

sometimes faculty, grade school students, and people from the community who join us. Blasters aren't necessary (we have gear to sign out if people do want some) since we also allow marshmallows and socks." Alixes Weber, President of The Nerf Club, said. "There's something thrilling about trying to outsmart your friends and coordinating your efforts with other players to try to survive to the end. Games are all a bit different, especially when there's been a change of president (the main game maker). One of my favorite parts is the stories we all have of particularly silly or incredible feats." The Nerf Club began about six years ago and is still going strong. Many players have joined The Nerf Club simply because they loved

playing Humans vs. Zombies so much.

"The Nerf Club is a very open and inclusive club that allows students from all sorts of interests and majors to come together and have fun. There are players I certainly wouldn't have met otherwise, let alone become friends with. We've also been working to connect with other schools to both join their games and have them visit us here at Mansfield." The Nerf Club fosters community and teamwork, especially during games like Humans Vs. Zombies, and it's open to anyone who wants to have fun in the outdoors. Be sure to join The Nerf Club's Facebook page if you are interested in learning more about one of Mansfield University's more popular clubs.

Students present findings on goose population at Hills Creek State Park

By **EMMA LYNCH**
Staff Writer

Seniors Jimmy O'Brien and Jeremy Allyn presented their research on Hills Creek State Park's goose population and efforts to control it. Both men graduate this semester and began researching the goose population at Hills Creek and how to control it on suggestion from their advisor, Dr. Jennifer Demchak, for their senior geoscience research class. The pair enjoys being outdoors and already knew the Assistant Park Manager at the park, Scott Morgan, thus making the project appealing to them.

Aiding them in their research and efforts is the Bass Fishing Team and the Mansfield Fisheries and Aquaculture Club.

"We see it as a good form of community service," O'Brien said. "The other groups involved will have a good trade off; fishing for volunteering."

"Hopefully we can get the younger guys in these organizations interested so we can keep [this project] going," Allyn said.

The presentation lasted half an hour and was given to a crowd of about fifty people.

"They're my friends so I mostly came for moral support," Alyssa Trostle, a

senior English Professional Writing major, said. "It was [a] really informative [presentation] though. I never thought about it."

This presentation was hosted as a part of Mansfield University's Institute of Science and the Environment's Speakers of Tomorrow series; the first time in the Institute's history that students have been invited to speak.

"I had been talking with Scott Morgan, an alumni, about the project that he wanted student help with. I asked him if he'd some present on it [...]," Lilace Guignard, the director of the institute, said. "Scott was willing to speak but had no availability in April when I had an opening. [] he and Dr. Demchak said they felt confident [Allyn and O'Brien] could do a professional job." Guignard also said that she would like to have students do at least one of the talks in this series each spring.

Geese are considered a nuisance animal and under the Federal Migratory Bird Treaty Act the park can get a permit that will, with training and supervision, allow them to work towards reducing the number of geese at Hills Creek. The current population is 110 geese. The goal is to cut that number in half. The main issues with having geese

at Hills Creek, especially so many, is that geese can be aggressive towards humans, especially when nesting, and their fecal matter can carry many communicable diseases. The geese also tend to nest right next to where humans tend to congregate at the park.

There are multiple ways to deal with the geese. Fencing has been put up to prevent them from nesting in those areas, humans can harass (chase) the geese away, and vegetation (such as tall grass and shrubbery) can be grown to restrict their access to certain areas.

The main method of control that will be utilized at Hills Creek has to do with the eggs. While it is illegal to remove any eggs or destroy the nest – as well as, if the mother goose notices she will finish laying her eggs elsewhere – there are methods that prevent the eggs from hatching. Allyn and O'Brien plan to research which methods work best: eggging (insert a needle and destroy the yolk), addling (shaking the egg for five-ten minutes), or oiling (covering the egg in corn oil). Another method, ovocontrol, is not utilized at Hills Creek.

The research into the most effective methods will continue for the entire breeding season which typically ends at the end of June.

Editorial: Controversial Story Reactions and Censorship

No one ever said that the newspaper business was going to be easy, but based on the comments we have received regarding our last edition, we at least know that our paper is being read. Before proceeding further in reading this editorial, we would respectfully ask that you read the accompanying stories for their content and background information.

We have interviewed Dean of the College of Arts and Humanities John Ulrich in an attempt to have some of our outstanding questions answered and to obtain the Administration's viewpoint on the issues raised by the new Academic Dismissal and Retention Pilot Policy. We have also attempted to solicit the opinions of faculty members about these changes. We also note that a reporter for WETM-TV, a New York television station, interviewed the university Provost Dr. Steven Siconolfi. Unfortunately, we strongly believe that the more questions asked, the more confusing the situation has become.

Why was Sodexo ever brought into this situation to begin with, and is their in-

volvement a violation of the FERPA federal laws on student academic privacy. Why should a student's academic and financial aid status be even partially disclosed to a third party, non-academic food service vendor? Is the written policy the one that will be enforced, or will the policy be one of the variations described by Dean Ulrich and Dr. Siconolfi? Very simply put, what if a student does not want to go along with the demand that he contact either the Office of the Deans or the Financial Aid Office; what happens next? Will the student be permitted to eat the food that he paid for in advance, or will there be another attempt to enforce compliance? In the final analysis, it is up to the student to take the help being offered or not. If he or she is not willing to help himself or herself, maybe this student should be dismissed from Mansfield University.

Another issue has arisen out of the last edition's news story on the pilot policy, and that issue is the censorship of the story itself. Whether anyone likes it or not, the Flashlight is a student-run campus news-

paper. It does not serve as the mouthpiece or public relations arm of the university. When we agree with the administration, we say so; but when we disagree with decisions made on this campus, we also state our disagreements.

Our story was twice removed from the Flashlight's Facebook page by Professor Dan Mason of the English and Modern Languages Department. He also ordered our editors not to repost the article on Facebook. Two professors told us that the administration wanted the written response from Dean Ulrich posted immediately on Facebook, and the administration would not wait until this edition for the response to be published. We think that we, and you the reader, are entitled to know why this was done. Professor Mason is the Flashlight's faculty advisor. In that role, he is supposed to offer advice – not censor our work. It should go without saying that we are going to be getting a new faculty advisor who understands freedom of speech, freedom of the press, and the First Amendment to the U.S. Constitution.

Letter to the Editor: New Academic Dismissal Policy - Beyond the Hype

No one ever said that the newspaper business was going to be easy, but based on the comments we have received regarding our last edition, we at least know that our paper is being read. Before proceeding further in reading this editorial, we would respectfully ask that you read the accompanying stories for their content and background information.

We have interviewed Dean of the College of Arts and Humanities John Ulrich in an attempt to have some of our outstanding questions answered and to obtain the Administration's viewpoint on the issues raised by the new Academic Dismissal and Retention Pilot Policy. We have also attempted to solicit the opinions of faculty members about these changes. We also note that a reporter for WETM-TV, a New York television station, interviewed the university Provost Dr. Steven Siconolfi. Unfortunately, we strongly believe that the more questions asked, the more confusing the situation has become.

Why was Sodexo ever brought into this

situation to begin with, and is their involvement a violation of the FERPA federal laws on student academic privacy. Why should a student's academic and financial aid status be even partially disclosed to a third party, non-academic food service vendor? Is the written policy the one that will be enforced, or will the policy be one of the variations described by Dean Ulrich and Dr. Siconolfi? Very simply put, what if a student does not want to go along with the demand that he contact either the Office of the Deans or the Financial Aid Office; what happens next? Will the student be permitted to eat the food that he paid for in advance, or will there be another attempt to enforce compliance? In the final analysis, it is up to the student to take the help being offered or not. If he or she is not willing to help himself or herself, maybe this student should be dismissed from Mansfield University.

Another issue has arisen out of the last edition's news story on the pilot policy, and that issue is the censorship of the story itself. Whether anyone likes it or not, the Flashlight is a student-run campus newspaper. It does

not serve as the mouthpiece or public relations arm of the university. When we agree with the administration, we say so; but when we disagree with decisions made on this campus, we also state our disagreements.

Our story was twice removed from the Flashlight's Facebook page by Professor Dan Mason of the English and Modern Languages Department. He also ordered our editors not to repost the article on Facebook. Two professors told us that the administration wanted the written response from Dean Ulrich posted immediately on Facebook, and the administration would not wait until this edition for the response to be published. We think that we, and you the reader, are entitled to know why this was done. Professor Mason is the Flashlight's faculty advisor. In that role, he is supposed to offer advice – not censor our work. It should go without saying that we are going to be getting a new faculty advisor who understands freedom of speech, freedom of the press, and the First Amendment to the U.S. Constitution.

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Johnny Cash Tribute show collects proceeds for MU Student Veteran’s Organization

Students attend virtual reality demonstration

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On Saturday, April 8, Terry Lee Goffee and his band played a Johnny Cash Tribute show at Straughn Auditorium. Their set list included popular Cash hits like “I Walk the Line” and “Ring of Fire”, as well as many others. The two-hour show was well received by an audience of mostly community members.

Starting from a young age, Goffee listened to Johnny Cash. At first, it was just because he liked the sound, but as he got older, he became more interested in the subject matter of Cash’s songs. Then, upon discovering Cash’s humanitarian efforts, Goffee’s admiration really solidified. Additionally, while Goffee occasionally does his own music, the Johnny Cash covers are his specialty.

Goffee’s favorite part of playing college shows is the diversity of the audience. They have different age groups, socioeconomic levels, and different musical tastes. Much in the same way, he enjoys going on tour. When he goes back home, it is merely a rest stop to recharge his energies before he leaves again. This is because his show is popular among audiences. In fact, Mansfield student Trey Waleski, a longtime fan of Johnny Cash, said that Goffee and his band’s performance was “very close to Johnny Cash’s original style, but they also were able to add their own flare.”

This show’s proceeds - about \$370 - will be given to the Mansfield University Student Veteran’s Organization. Goffee also does benefits for police and fire organizations, but is not exclusive to doing benefits. Typically, his shows are exclusively for country fans.

By GAVIN HERMAN
Flashlight Contributor

Eight students attended a Virtual Reality (or VR) demonstration performed by the Computer Science Club.

The computer science club gave a public showing of VR technology to advertise the club and show what computer science can involve. Club members (including Jacob Risch, Logan Reese, and Travis Mitchell) also mentioned that the club’s advisor, John Phillips, asked the club to present more events for university students.

The demonstration was officially shown in Oak hall’s multipurpose room at 6:30 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. on April 5. Technical difficulties prevented the equipment from being usable until 7 p.m. “It’s a little finicky to set up, but it’s usually fine [after the initial setup],” Alyssa Osten, president of the Computer Science Club, said.

The VR system used was a HTC Vive, a device for virtual reality that lets users stand and move around a room after setup. The system is used through a virtual reality headset,

two sensors for the play field, and a controller for each hand. The computer science club assisted students interested in trying out VR, showing video games that took advantage of the hardware. Titles for the system that were previewed included Zombie Training Simulator, My Little Doughnut, and Gorn.

The system was purchased using funds provided by the Student Government Association. “[It cost] eight hundred for the computer, eight hundred for the VR, so sixteen hundred in total,” Alyssa Osten said.

The club didn’t give a definite answer to showcasing VR again in the residence halls. “We get [the VR] out every weekend” Alyssa Osten said. In-club sessions with the hardware have a tentative schedule of 9 p.m. to 2 a.m. on Friday or Saturday and are open to interested students. Official club meetings are scheduled at 3:45 p.m. on Monday.

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THE THING

Dr. Sue Young hosts Fireside chat

By GAVIN HERMAN
Flashlight Contributor

Dr. Sue Young partook in the Sycamore Fireside Chats to discuss passion, risks, and working as the Chair for Mansfield's Department of Communication.

Ten people attended the event, including Sycamore's Resident Director Mike Stamp. The program lasted from 7 p.m. to 8:54 p.m. on March 27. The fireside chat was casual, following a very loose Q&A format. The topics of the chat were varied, including dining etiquette, planned classes, and why she taught at Mansfield University.

Dr. Young talked about the power of Twitter and how she uses the social media website for her classes on Gender Communication and Business and Professional Communication. "I don't care how you lean, you need to know what's going on," Dr. Young said. When asked what made teaching matter to her, it was the joy of teaching. "When somebody can figure out something new, I find that extremely exciting," Dr. Young said.

Dr. Young also discussed her origins at the university, teaching at Mansfield because of how close it was to family and her home town of Wellsboro. She talked about classes she wanted to teach, includ-

ing a class on family communication that didn't start due to a lack of students.

While serious topics were explored, the focus was more on light-hearted subjects. Dr. Young mentioned her acting credits in movies from the Polonia Brothers, including Sharkenstein, Landshark, and Amityville Death House. She also described her process while grading, saying that it involved being in the "fetal position watching Netflix," Dr. Young said. That she binge watches shows with her husband, recently watching the Gilmore Girls.

The fireside chat was directed by Resident Assistant Taylor Donahue, who has lead the program since its creation. Faculty that have been featured previously include Psychology Chair Dr. Gretchen Sechrist and Interim Dean Frank Crofchick. The program has been used previously to let students talk to faculty and staff across the university's campus. Donahue used the funds given to resident assistants to provide refreshments of tea, coffee, and hot chocolate. Students who would like to make requests for future Fireside Chats can request them to Donahue.

Letter to the Editor: Call to Arms for Mansfield

As I am certain you are aware, the Pennsylvania State System of Higher Education has commissioned a comprehensive study "to ensure the 14 state-owned universities are prepared to meet the needs of students and employers in every region of the Commonwealth." That study is now underway.

The National Center for Higher Education Management Systems (NCHEMS) is the consulting firm selected to assist the Board of Governors with the Strategic System Review of the 14 universities and the Office of the Chancellor. NCHEMS has launched a website that provides a forum in which each of us can tell the Mansfield University story.

Each of us—alumni, student, parent, employee and friend of MU, can share why Mansfield is or has been a difference maker in our lives, a difference maker in our community and region, and a difference maker in the Commonwealth and our Nation. Each of us knows the power and the impact of a Mansfield education and the difference it has made in our lives and the lives of our loved ones and friends.

I urge you to go to www.NCHEMSproject.com/system-review to provide your input and tell your Mansfield story. The website also allows all of us to track the progress of the review and offer our thoughts on the future of the State System.

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Art & Design Guild hosted Silent Chair Auction

By ELLY FRANZ
Flashlight Contributor

The Art & Design Guild hosted a Silent Chair Auction to raise money for the Animal Care Sanctuary. At Night and Day Café on April 8th the Art & Design Guild hosted an auction selling off chairs they had decorated themselves. They had taken old unused chairs from Allen and Maple and refurbished them with their own designs. "There was eleven chairs and each chair was different: one had mountains, one had clippings from Playboy, one was watercolor with fish, all of them were different and it was amazing to see what they had made." Sarah Beitler, a Mansfield student, said.

The club had raised around six hun-

dred dollars for the Animal Care Sanctuary that night. Both from the chairs as well as the raffle prizes they had available. The raffle prizes were various baskets: one cat-themed, one with various coffees, one with different types of wine, etc. "This was our second year having the Silent Chair Auction, both this year and last year it has gone really well, and we plan to keep it going for future years." Anna Nelson, the secretary of the Art & Design Guild, said. They bid on chairs by being given a dog or cat name when they entered the door. The bidder would write the name on a piece of paper on the chair they wanted to bid on with the price they were willing to pay. The starting price for the chairs was \$25 and the ending prices ranged from 30 to 75 dollars. All eleven chairs had been sold in the auction.

PSECU members of graduating class are eligible for voucher

By KORTNEY REGIS
Flashlight Contributor

PSECU is offering a \$20 Cap and Gown voucher for graduating seniors who are members starting April 3 and running until May 12.

Graduating seniors who are members of the credit union are eligible for a voucher that will give them \$20 off their purchase of a cap and gown from the Mountie Den. This offer is extended to all graduating seniors who will be walking at graduation this May.

"Not a member? Stop by and join PSECU to take advantage of this special offer. The PSECU office is located in Lower Manser Hall and is open Monday through Thursday from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. and Friday 9 a.m. to 3 p.m." Dave Sikorski, Business Advisor/ Financial Education Center Manager at PSECU, said.

Sikorski has been employed at the on-campus credit union since 2008.

"This is the third year, or sixth semester, we have run the Cap and Gown voucher promotion. We hope to continue doing this for our members for years to come," Sikorski said.

"You just have to be a member to take advantage of this promotion, there

are no hidden fees or catches" Andrew Leidich, senior environmental major and PSECU intern, said. "If you aren't a member, it only takes about 10 to 15 minutes to sign up and after you are an established member, we can get you a voucher."

Membership establishment can take up to a week for new applications depending on the student's response to PSECU's emails and getting in documents needed to confirm the new member.

Many seniors have already taken advantage of the Cap and Gown voucher including senior Khabeera Calaman, who recently signed up to take advantage of this offer. "I didn't want to pay full price if I didn't have to. It's a great offer because during this stressful time, anything helps. I've been telling everyone I know to stop in and sign up," Calaman said. A cap and gown at the Mountie Den cost \$54.45 before the voucher is applied.

Although the offer last until May 12, there is a limited supply of vouchers. For complete rules, visit WWW.beyourchange.com/grads. Students can select "Mansfield" from the drop down menu on the site and get all the information, or stop into the office on campus.

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Softball Battles to Split with Lock Haven in Pair of Thrillers



Photo courtesy of GoMounties
Sierra Storm has been pitching for MU since 2015.

Mansfield dropped a 2-1 heartbreaker in nine innings, but rallied to take game two 5-4 and split a PSAC Central double-header against Lock Haven on Sunday at Helen Lutes Field.

In game one, Mansfield (15-8, 5-3 PSAC Central) got a run on the board in the second inning in what proved to be a

fast-paced pitcher's duel between Arianna Young and Bekah Slattery. Rachel Sterner led-off the bottom of the second with a double and moved to third on a bunt single. Kayla Hahn drove in Sterner to put the Mounties ahead 1-0.

Both pitchers kept opposing batters at bay with Mansfield recording the only

hit over the next three innings.

In the top of the sixth, Lock Haven (14-14, 5-3 PSAC Central) got a runner aboard with an error before a Morgan Garlock single tied the game at 1-1.

Mansfield set up a walk-off opportunity in the bottom of the seventh with two outs and bases loaded, but Slatterly ended the threat and forced extra innings. Madison Mathes drove in the eventual game-winning run in the top of the ninth.

Slattery struck out seven and scattered five hits to move to 8-7 on the season. Young allowed just six hits and one earned run but took just her fourth loss of the year Sterner went 3-4 at the plate with a run scored to lead the Mounties offensively.

Game two saw three scoreless innings before Lock Haven pushed across the first run of the game in the top of the fourth.

The Mountaineers responded in the bottom of the inning with Melanie Taylor drawing a lead-off walk before Lesley Fritz put a pair of runners in scoring position with a double in the gap. Hahn drove in a run then Nikki Watkins, the pitch runner,

scored on an error to take the lead. Alli McGovern plated Casey Pearce to give the Mountaineers a 3-1 advantage.

In the bottom of the fifth, Sterner plated a pair of insurance runs with her single into centerfield to score Laura Lawson and Koryn Wickwire and make it a 5-1 ballgame.

Those two runs would prove to be critical for Mansfield as the Eagles rallied in the bottom of the seventh by scoring four runs to close their deficit to 5-4. The Mountaineers held off the late charge to earn the victory.

Sierra Storm picked up her fifth win of the season and Connor Decker came on in relief in the seventh to record her second save.

Mansfield and Lock Haven are in the thick of the PSAC playoff push with both teams currently tied for second in the Central division. They are two games back of Bloomsburg who tops the Central with a 7-1 mark.

Coming up in Mountaineer Sports

Friday	Saturday	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday
14 Baseball: Mountaineers vs. Shippensburg University at 1:00 p.m. Softball: Mountaineers vs. IUP at IUP 2:30 p.m.	15 Softball: Mountaineers vs. University of Pittsburgh at Johnstown 1:00 p.m. Baseball: Mountaineers vs. Shippensburg University at 1:00 p.m.	16 Men's Track at Bucknell University Women's Track at Bucknell University	17	18	19	20
21 Baseball: Mountaineers vs. Kutztown University at 1:00 p.m. Softball: Mountaineers vs. Lock Haven University at 2:30 p.m.	22	23 Baseball: Mountaineers vs. Kutztown University 1:00 p.m. Softball: Mountaineers vs. Bloomsburg University 1:00 p.m.	24	25 Baseball: Mountaineers vs. Clarion University at 1:00 p.m. Baseball: Mountaineers vs. Clarion University at 3:00 p.m.	26 Women's Track at Penn Relays Men's Track at Penn Relays	27 Women's Track at Penn Relays Men's Track at Penn Relays